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Date of sailing, Saturday P. M.	Steamers.	Tons.	Connecting at Aden with	Tons
29th Dec. 1907	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9503
5th Jan.	PERSIA	7351		
12th "	ORIENTAL	5281	VICTORIA	6523
19th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
26th "	EGYPT	7912	CHINA	7912
2nd Feb.	ORANA	6419		
9th "	ORIENTAL	5281	INDIA	7911
16th "	EGYPT	7912		
23rd "	PENINSULAR	5294	MONGOLIA	9535
2nd Mar.	ARABIA	7903		
9th "	ORIENTAL	5281	BRITANNIA	6523
16th "	PERSIA	7951		
23rd "	PENINSULAR	5294	MARMORA	10509
30th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
6th Apr.	* MACEDONI	10619		
13th "	CHINA	7912		
20th "	PENINSULAR	5294	MOLDAVIA	9503
27th "	EGYPT	7912		
4th May	ORIENTAL	5281	HIMALAYA	6526
11th "	ARABIA	7903		
18th "	PENINSULAR	5294	VICTORIA	6523
25th "	PERSIA	7951		

* Similar to the grossing and following steamer, the S. S. MACEDONIA," sailing on the 6th April will proceed direct to Marseilles and London.

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London *via* Marseilles (overland.)	600	†950	525	*770	450	*675
Karachi	40	..	40	...	40	..

† Return journey from Liverpool, but if outward bound steamer calls at Marseilles, return journey from London Rs. 1090.
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The following Sailings are subject to alterations :—

Class	Steamer.	Tons.	Sailing from Liverpool.	Due a Port Said about.	Due Bombay about.	Leave Bombay.
*	City of Karachi	5,547	Nov. 21	Dec. 3	Dec. 10 1907	Dec. 24 1907.
†	City of Carthage	5,324	" 27	" 9	Jan. 1	Jan. 8
†	Worsely Hall	3,489	Dec. 5	" 15	" 21	" 15
†	City of Agra	4,908	" 19 1907	" 31	" 19	" 19
‡*	City of Manchester	5,551	Jan. 2	Jan. 1	" 24	" 31
†	Trafford Hall	5,321	" 15	" 22	Feb. 3	Feb. 10
†	City of Edinburgh	6,253	" 26	Feb. 7	" 19	" 26
†	City of Bombay ‡	4,540	Feb. 2	" 14	" 28	Marc 25
†	Aston Hall ‡	3,627	" 11	" 24	Marc 9	" 24

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LINGA	2,170	Mon. 24th Dec.	11 a.m.	P. D. & C.*
KOLA	1,230	Thur. 28th Dec.	9 a.m.	Cutch Mandvie.
LHASA	2,170	Frid. 28th Dec.	7 a.m.	(direct).

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Steamers	Tons.	Sailing	Ports of call
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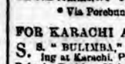

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Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	To sail on
IMPERATRIX	G. Gheazo	4,213	1st Jan. 1907.

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TRIESTE OR VENICE	Rs. 550.	Rs. 350.	Rs. 150

ORDINARY LINE.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	To sail on or about
*†TRIESTE	D. Mistrorigo	5056	24th Dec. 1906.

* Will call at Karachi. † Will call at Fiume.

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KOERBER	5301	1st Mar. "
IMPERATRIX	4213	16th "
AFRICA	4596	1st April.
IMPERATOR	4140	16th "
KOERBER	5301	1st May.
BOHEMIA	4389	16th "
AFRICA	4596	1st June.

ORDINARY LINE.

Steamers.	Tons.	To sail about.
*†F. FERDINAND	6014	24th January.
*†CHINA	5899	Early March.
*†AUSTRIA	7608	Early April.
*†VORWAERTS	5,920	Early May.

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ARMAND BEHIC	6,385	Guionnet	27th Dec. 1906.
VILLE de la CIOTAT	6,078	Robufet	24th Jan. 1907.
NERA	5,576	Schmitz	21st Feb. "
DUMBEA	5,686	Boyer	21st Mar. "
SYDNEY	4,118	Combe	18th Apr. "
ARMAND BEHIC	6,385	Guionnet	16th May "
VILLE de la CIOTAT	6,078	Combe	13th June "
NERA	5,576	Schmitz	11th July "

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TENDERS are invited by 1 o'clock on SATURDAY, the 5th January, 1907, for the following works :—

1. CONSTRUCTING STUDENTS HOSTEL, at Agripada, Value of work will be about Rs. 1,97,000.
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Executive Engineer Presidency.
BOMBAY, 21ST DECEMBER, 1906.

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NOTICE.

THE ATTENTION OF MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS, Druggists and Vaidyas, is drawn to the Government Notification No. 7641, published at page 1162 of the "Bombay Government Gazette," Part I of the 16th August, 1906, amending the OPIUM RULES and the form of License to be granted to Medical Practitioners and others, and they are hereby called upon to return to the office of the Assistant Collector of Abkari, in charge Excise Opium Department, Bombay Custom House, the Licenses they now hold to be renewed in the REVISED form by the 1st of January next, after which date all Licenses in the present form will be considered as cancelled.

G. W. HATCH,
Collector of Bombay.
BOMBAY CUSTOM HOUSE,
20TH NOVEMBER, 1906.

THE BERAR MANUFACTURING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Berar Manufacturing Coy, Ld., will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 2 Dalal Street, Fort, on THURSDAY, the 3rd January, 1907, to confirm the following resolutions which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders held on 17th December, 1906.

1. That Messrs. Jehangir Hormusjee and Coy., who have sent in their resignation of the office and appointment of Agents of this Company be not allowed to withdraw their resignation and that such resignation be and is hereby accepted as from the date of the passing of this resolution.
2. That the firm of Messrs. Kasturchand Daga & Sons, of whatsoever members such firm may from time to time be composed of be and they are hereby appointed Agents of the Company for the remainder of the period of 25 years commencing from the 28th day of May 1885 and for a further period of 25 years commencing from the expiration of the remainder of the period of 25 years for which the said firm of Jehangheer Hormusjee & Coy were appointed Agents at the same remuneration as was paid to the said firm of Messrs. Jehangheer Hormusjee and Coy, and on the same terms and conditions.
3. That the special resolution passed on the 4th day of September 1899 and confirmed on the 4th day of October 1899, whereby it was resolved that the firm of Messrs. Jehangheer Hormusjee & Coy. should continue to be the Agents of this Company and which resolution was to be inserted as article III of the Articles of Association of this Company be and it is hereby revoked and cancelled.
4. That the Article III of the Articles of Association of this Company be altered by substituting the name of Messrs. Kasturchand Daga & Sons for the name of Messrs Jehangheer Hormusjee & Coy, Bombay Parsee Inhabitants, wherever the latter name occurs in the said article.

By order of the Board of Directors,
SORABJI MUNCHEEJI NICHOLSON,
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Bombay 18th December, 1906.

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NOTICE.

Re: Mr. HORMUSJEE GURSETJEE COORLAWALLA Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of the abovenamed, Mr. Hormusjee Gursetjee Coorlawalla, deceased, who died intestate at Bombay, on or about the 4th day of October, 1906, and the Letters of Administration of whose estate thereby effect throughout the Presidency of Bombay, were granted on the 10th day of December, 1906, to Bai Navajbai, widow of the said deceased, of Bombay, Parsee inhabitant, are hereby required to send in their claims to the said Administratrix at the Office of Messrs. WADIA, GHANDY & Co., her Attorneys at the Oriental Buildings, Fort, within one calendar month from the date hereof at the expiration of which time the said administratrix will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice.—Dated a Bombay this 21st day of December, 1906.

WADIA GHANDY & CO.,
Attorneys FOR THE ADMINISTRATRIX.

NOTICE.

Re. Estate of ESSA HAJI ABU BAKAR and ESSA HAJI ABU BAKAR and Co.

NOTICE is hereby given that a FINAL DIVIDEND at the Rate of 15 5/8 per cent (*i.e.* annas 2 and pies 6 per Rupee) of the amount of admitted claims herein will be paid out of the assets herein on and after the 27th day of December, 1906, at the office of Trustees, care of Messrs. H. HOBITSEK and REIS, Apollo Street, No. 5, British Hotel Lane, on the creditors producing their books of account and delivering all Hoondies and other documents.—Dated this 22nd day of December, 1906.

for J. LEHNHART,
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INDIAN ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT. NORTHERN CIRCLE.

Manufacturers and Dealers who may wish to have their names registered as Contractors for the SUPPLY of ORDNANCE STORES to the Allahabad Arsenal, should address the Ordnance Officer-in charge by letter on or before the 15th January, 1907, for approval by the Inspector-General of Ordnance Northern Circle. The particular articles, which they Manufacture or supply, should be stated and also the names of at least two well known Firms or public bodies who have purchased from them and who are in a position to certify as to their reliability and the quality of their productions or supplies.

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Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Undersigned.

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2 per cent. Reduced	93 1/16 ex	=	unchanged
2½ per cent. Consolidated Stock Loan	103 1/4	=	"
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	84 3/16	=	"
SILVER—			
Spot in London	32 3/16	=	unchanged
2 months hence	32 3/16	=	— 1/16
Spot in New York	69 1/4	=	— 1/8
EXCHANGES—			
On all cheques	25·26	=	+ 1/2
Paris cheques	20·49 3/4	=	+ 1/4
New York Demand	4·83 1/4	=	unchanged
DISCOUNTS—			
Bank of England	3	pr. ct.	Since 19th Oct
4 months' sight Bank Bills	6	do. =	unchanged
6 months' sight Bank Bills	5 1/8	do. =	"
3 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	6 1/4	do. =	"
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	6 1/8	do. =	"
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Gold to Bombay	£ 20,000

SUGAR—
German granulated double bags C. and F. India Jan.-Mar. 11s. 9d. sellers hence steady.
BARESED—
Brown 83 1/2 April-May done
LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 44 1/2 Dec-Jan. sellers
COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 7 1/8 + 1/8

IN LIVERPOOL—

Cotton Market closed	active
Best Indian	quiet
Manchester	steady
Total Sales	14,000 bales
Spot	9·03 + 06
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown	10 5-16 unchd
Sold on speculation and for Export	500 bales
Imports	5,000 "
Futures closed	firm

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5·42	5·43	5·43
plus 11	plus 10	plus 10
Mar.-Apr.	Apr.-May	May-June.
5·43	5·45	5·46
plus 03	plus 09	plus 08
June-July	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept
5·47	5·48	5·43
plus 08	plus 08	plus 08

Receipts at U. S. Ports	60,000 bales
Do. last year	40,000 "
Exports to Great Britain	43,000 "
Do. do Continent	14,000 "

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	10·55 + 10
Futures, month of Dec	9·17 + 13 *
Do. do. Mar	9·03 + 13 *

* Advanced owing to firm cables and to bull support and short covering.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	10 1-4 unchd
Futures, month of Jan	mutilated
Do. do. Mar	"
Tone at close	easy

ADDITIONAL QUOTATIONS.
COTTON.

Good Madras Westerns C I F months Dec.-Jan	4 16/32d sellers
F G F Tinnevelly C I E months April-May	5 6/32d nominal
Fair Red Coconada C I F months Dec.-Jan	4 20/32d sellers
Coconada Ginned C I F months Dec.-Jan	4 24/32d sellers

	Bales.
Week's Receipts of Cotton at U. S. Ports	320,000
Week's Exports to Great Britain	135,000
" " to Continent	101,000
Stock of Cotton at U. S. Ports	1,374,000
" " Interior "	684,000

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours ending 6 p.m. on 21 December:—

Cotton	20,541 bales.
Wheat	5,294 qrs.
Linseed	7,960 "
Rape, Tal and Mustard	194 "
Gingellyseed	35,173 "
Poppyseed	355 "
Groundnuts	1,620 "
Castorseed	915 "
Rice	10,971 "
Jowarbullums	2,175 "
Cutchseed	16,844 "
Mowraseed	nil
Gram	1,835 "
Jowar	3,616 "
Maize	nil

REPETITIONS.

New York 20th Dec.

Futures New Orleans	Jan. 9·95 plus 05
Do. do.	Mar. 9·99 plus 06

New York 21st Dec.

Futures New Orleans	Jan. 9·93—02
Do. do.	Mar. 9·99 unchanged.

BOMBAY, SATURDAY EVENING.

The messages to hand this morning from Liverpool and New York advised an advance in the cotton market, but New Orleans was easier and 2 points lower for March futures. The local market has been quiet but steady with a small business passing in ready cotton, and some buying by speculators against previous sales for forward delivery. There is little demand from shippers for contracts, and mills continue quiet. The market closes quiet.

STERLING EXCHANGE has been quiet the Banks will be closed until Thursday morning next.

RUPEE PAPER.—Quiet but steady at 95 1 cash and 95 3 for the settlement.

SHARES—
Bank of Bombay Rs. 1,402 1/2.

BOMBAY, DECEMBER 22ND 1906.

EXCHANGE.—Tone Quiet.

Bank T. T.	... ...	1s. 4 5/32d. 1/8.
Bank Demand	... ...	1s. 4 7/32d.
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight D. A.		1s. 4 11/16d to 21/32.
Do. 6 do. do.		1s. 4 27/32d. to 13/16
French Francs 3 m/s D A	...	174/173 3/4.
Marcks 3 do. do.	...	143 1/2.
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight	...	161
Shanghai 30 do. do.	...	222
Japan 30 do. do.	...	148 1/2

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 p. c. Tone. Quiet.

Cash	95·1
1st Settlement	95·3

MONEY MARKET.—Tone. Steady.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since	19th Oct.	6	per cent.
Bank of Bombay do.	13th Dec.	9	do.
Bank of Bengal do.	6th do.	9	do.
Bank of Madras do.	13th do.	8	do.

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	Quiet but steady.
Estimated sales	4,000 bales.
Imports	40,000 "

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
5·40	5·41	5·41
—02	—02	—02
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June.
5·41	5·42	5·43
—02	—02	—03
June-July.	July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
5·45	5·45	5·40
—02	—03	—03

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited:—

	Fine.	F-G	Goods.	Delivery.
Bengal, H.-G. (Ry. terms)	175	167	..	25 Jan.
Bengal, M.G. do.	182	173	..	Ready.
S. Punjab M G do.	181	171	..	25 Dec.
Comrawattee (descriptions) M-G.	168	171	..	26 Jan.
	204	196	..	25 Dec.
		196	..	26 Jan.
Khandeish (M-G)	187	183	..	25 Dec.
	187	183	..	25 Jan.
Jalgaum (M.G.)		188	..	do
Khanganni (M-G) fair staple	204	198	..	26 Dec.
Kaimala (M-G) do	202	196	..	23 Jan.
Abdia (M-G) do				
Yeotmal (M. G.)	218	213	..	28 Dec.
		210	..	23 Jan.
Dhamangaum and Poolgaum M-G.	214	208	..	25 Dec.
		205	..	25 Jan.
Nagpur Kamptee (M-G)	219	213	..	26 Dec.
		212	..	25 Jan.
Broach (M.G.)	252	..	236	28 Mar.
Hubli (M. G.)	185	178	..	29 Jan.

DEPARTURE OF H. E. THE GOVERNOR OF BOMBAY.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor of Bombay accompanied by Major F. Lee, Military Secretary, Mr. J. H. DuBoulay, Private Secretary, Lieut. Colonel M. T. Yarr, Medical Officer, Captains H. Meynell, M. E. Rae, and B. Fellows, A.-D. C., left on Saturday for Virawal *en route* to Junaghad by the R. I. M. S. Canning. His Excellency drove to the Apollo Bunder at 4 p. m. and proceeded on board the Canning in the R. I. M. S. Launch "Bee." Although the departure was private, there were present on the Bunder Sir Lawrence Jenkins and Lady Jenkins, Mr. H. G. Gell, and Mr. C. H. Hill to see His Excellency off. A salute of 17 guns was fired from the Saluting Battery to announce the departure. The "Canning" is expected to arrive at Virawal at 6 a. m. on Monday.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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BIRTH.

WATERFIELD—December 13, at Surat, the wife of Edward H. Waterfield, Indian Civil Service, of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

ADAMI—December 19, at Darjiling, the wife of L. C. Adami, Esq., I. C. S., of a son.
DAMZEN—December 20, at No. 134, Dharamtola Street, Calcutta the wife of R. S. Damzen, Inspector, Customs Preventive Service, of a daughter.
ARMITAGE—December 21, at Nungambakkum, Madras, the wife of F. Armitage, Madras Police, of a son.
PATERSON—December 18, at No. 1, Lower Circular Road, Calcutta, to Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Paterson, of a daughter.
PYSTER—December 15, at Indore, C. I., the wife of Arthur H. Pyster, Survey Commissioner, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BARTON—HILL—December 14, at Christ Church, Saidpur, by the Rev J Saunders Dyer, Geoffrey B Barton to Agnes Patricia Hill.
PHEAR—BIRD—December 12, at St. Thomas' Church, Amraoti, Berar, by the Rev A F G Wardell, Chaplain of Raipur, assisted by the Rev G W Darling, Chaplain of Berar, Gilbert Ashleigh, F W D, C. P, the only son of the late Sir John Phear, to Una Florence, the third daughter of Mr G B Bird, Executive Engineer, P W D, Amraoti, late of the U P
STEWART—RICKARDS—December 19, at St. Jude's, South Kensington, by the Right Reverend the Bishop of Stepney assisted by the Reverend Prebendary Bardley Wilmot, Vicar of the Parish, Francis Hugh, son of the late Robert Stewart, Esq., of 11 Denham Place, London, S. W., and Calcutta, to Frances Henrietta, elder daughter of A. G. Rickards, Esq., K. Un, of 20 Southwell Gardens, London, S W.
WATTS—MACDONALD—December 19, at the Lahore Cathedral, Captain G A R Watts, 23rd Cavalry, F F, to Ida, second daughter of W Macdonald, Esq, Chief Engineer, Assam

DEATHS.

FISCHER—December 15, at Debra Dun, Effie Govan, the darling child of Major and Mrs. L. G. Fischer, aged 14 years.
SCRIVENER—December 18, at Bankipore, Edgar Thomas Scrivener, E. I. Railway, aged 67.

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Bank Holiday.
Municipal Standing Committee, 3-30 p. m. (B. T.)
Gaiety Theatre, New Bandmann Opera Company.
Roller Skating Rink, Esplanade.
Service of Song, St. Thomas' Cathedral.
Christmas Cards, C. M. S. Mission Church, Girgaum, 6 p. m.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL, UMARKHADI.—The distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Holy Cross School took place on Friday evening in the All Saints' Home, Mazagon, when amongst those present were: Mrs. Dunmock, the All Saints sisters, Miss Hurford, the Cowley Fathers and the Rev. J. H. Lord. Father Nicholson read the report which showed that the school was in a progressive state and of much use as it supplied a long felt want amongst the native population at Umarkhadi. Mrs. Wadia gave away the prize and a hearty vote of thanks to her for doing so terminated the proceedings.

POLICE NOTICE.—One wooden box, one looking glass, one scissors (pair), five tin thalies, one basket, one tiffin carrier, one copper bowel with cover, three small copper bowels, four small copper dishes, two halves of currency notes of Rs 50 each, some money, one gold stud, one canvas bag containing one blanket, one white dhoter, one razai, two white trousers, two white bundies, one black phelta, one looking glass, one tin cup, one pair of legging, one pair of ladies black kid leather gloves have been taken charge of by the Police and await owners.

A CHRISTMAS-TREE ENTERTAINMENT.

THE employees of the Telegraph Department in Bombay held their annual Christmas-Tree Entertainment on Saturday evening, when 231 children were feted in the delightful grounds and buildings of the Department in Marine Lines. Tea and cakes and the Season's goodies were amply provided, and the very excellent arrangements conducted by Mr. Leslie, the Superintendent of Telegraphs, afforded satisfaction and enjoyment to all who took an interest in the get-up. A notable feature was the Tree itself which presented a truly picturesque appearance with the aid of electric lights and the whole scene was well calculated to bring to the minds of the little ones the good old legend of Father Christmas. The children appeared to experience every delight such as is known only to the heart of childhood, and went home undoubtedly carrying with them a lasting memory of the fairy scene of the tree and lights and toys galore!

There were also a goodly number of ladies present and for these a shooting gallery was thoughtfully provided and a prize which was contested for was won by Miss Bherman.

In the sports which formed part of this entertainment preceding the Christmas Tree, there were some very interesting competitions. Miss Cooper won a Ladies' Nomination Prize—to wit, a handsome and valuable Gold Brooch. A tug-of-war, boys vs. girls resulted in a win for the girls.

At the conclusion, the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Mr. Leslie, addressed a few encouraging words to the employees, eulogising their devotion to duty during the year, and their assiduousness in spite of the never abating stress of traffic. It was acknowledged, he added, that Bombay was obviously the hardest worked office in India, and he believed that their needs in this respect were receiving the earnest attention of the Telegraph Committee. He exhorted them to a continuance of the support he had received from them in the past in the discharge of business, and he held up a few examples of exemplary conduct on the part of some sections of the Staff.

ARRIVAL OF THE AMERICAN YACHT "MARGARITA."

THE American steam yacht "Margarita," of 751 tons, under the command of Captain J. A. R. Cushing, arrived in harbour on Saturday from Cowes, which port she left on the 25th November and called at Naples, Port Said, and Aden *en route*. The yacht belongs to Mr. James Henry Smith, who is on board with Mrs. Smith and the following guests: His Grace the Duke of Manchester, Her Grace the Duchess of Manchester, Miss Anita Stewart, and Mr. G. C. Elliot. The staff includes Dr. D. W. Keiler Moody, 5 valets, 1 nurse, and 2 maids. The "Margarita" was built at Greenock by Messrs. Scot and Co. in 1901. Her length is 309 feet, breadth 36 feet 6 inches, and draught 17 feet 9 inches, and her highest speed is 18 knots an hour. She has one funnel and two masts and is painted white. She has anchored off the Customs House. She possesses two steam launches, 4 life boats, 1 gig, and 1 dinghey. After a stay of a few days in Bombay, she sails for Calcutta, Rangoon, Singapore, Borneo, the Phillipines, Honkong, and thus Japan.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

HIGH COURTS.

MOTORING IN MAHABLESHWAR.

Conviction Set Aside.

In the High Court, the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty and the Hon. Mr. Justice Heaton have disposed of two more applications for revision made in motor-car cases. One case in which Kuverji Nasarwanji Dosabhoy, was convicted of abetting the driving of motor-cars in prohibited areas in Mahableshwar, was fined Rs. 100, and which conviction and sentence of fine were reversed by their Lordships, has been reported in these columns. Mr. Kuverji, who is the proprietor of the Race View Hotel at Mahableshwar, and who had organised a motor-car service between Poona and Mahableshwar in March last, was the accused person in these other two cases of revision also.

In one of the cases, he was charged with abetting the offence of driving a motor-car over the Ghauts, thereby breaking the provision of Section 12 of the Bombay Motor Vehicles Act II of 1904, and of Section 109 of the Penal Code. He was convicted by Mr. Otto Rothfield, First Class Magistrate at Satara, and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 100. In the second case, he was convicted by Mr. H. K. Carvalho, City Magistrate in Poona, of having illegally kept possession of 59 boxes of petrol used in motor-cars, contrary to Section 15 (a) of the Indian Petroleum Act VIII of 1899, and fined Rs. 100. From both these convictions, accused appealed to the Judges of the High Court.

In the charge of driving over the Ghauts at night, his submission to their Lordships was that his chauffeur Karnalbas drove the motor at night on the Ghauts, not only without his knowledge, but against his express orders. He did not give any order to him through his cousin to drive in this way. As to the storage of the petrol, his explanation was that he had paid the licence-fee of Rs. 8 to store 500 gallons of petrol: a certain place was visited by Mr. Vernon, the Collector, and approved of as the storage godown. But, unfortunately while the accused was at Mahableshwar, Mr. Bald, the Superintendent of his Poona establishment, altered the position, and stored the cases in another place without his knowledge, and in a very careless manner.

Mr. H. C. Coyaji appeared for the accused in the revision: Mr. M. B. Chaubal, Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown in support of the convictions.

In the case of the driving over the Ghauts at night, Mr. Justice Batty pronounced the judgment of the Appeal Court. His Lordship said the fine was admittedly not sustainable, the maximum being Rs. 50 under the section only; the present one was not found to be a second offence. In any case, the Court would have had to reduce the fine: but there were other points than that. The Court was not satisfied about the findings of the facts arrived at by the Magistrate, which would justify him in attaching the legal consequences to the facts, in the way he had done. He had apparently held that the accused, in omitting to inform his employes of their obligations imposed on them by the rules, was guilty of committing abetment by omission, an offence, naturally punishable in the event of the omission being an illegal one. No provision of law had been cited before the Court to bring home to the accused any legal obligation on him to communicate the state of the law to his employe, so as to constitute the accused's omission into an illegal one. As to the other aspects of the abetting, viz., by aiding, instigating, or conspiring with his employer there was no evidence against the accused: these aspects, therefore, needed not any consideration. Nor was there any evidence about the order received by telegram: the telegram, if any, was in fact not traceable now. The only secondary evidence was of the chauffeur Karnalbas, (who, as driver, had been fined four annas.) He stated, he saw the telegram stating that he should be sent at once to Mahableshwar. It was impossible to infer from such evidence the direction that the driver of the motor was to disobey the provisions of any rule or law. Mere omission to instruct an employe in law was not in itself illegal, so as to constitute a punishable abetment. The conviction was set aside; the fine, if paid, was directed to be refunded to the accused.

In the other charge, relating to the illegal storage of petroleum in a place not approved of by the authority appointed to supervise in this behalf, the Court ordered that the case should be returned to the Lower Court, where evidence should be recorded to show that the character of the petroleum stored was such as to make the possession of less than five hundred gallons of it, an offence under the Act.

SUBLETTING OF LIQUOR SHOPS.

Judgment of the High Court.

In the High Court, Appellate Side, the Hon. Mr Justice Batty and the Hon. Mr. Justice Heaton have disposed of an application for revision in a case, against Mahadevappa Basappa, who by Mr. G. H. Gowan, Magistrate at Belgaum, was convicted of subletting his liquor shops in contravention of a condition of his license, Section 45 C, of the Bombay Abkari Act of 1878, in two instances and was fined Rs. 100, for each offence. On appeal Mr. T. Walker, Sessions Judge of Belgaum, confirmed the conviction and sentence. Mr. Robertson with Mr. G. S. Mulgaonkur, appeared for the accused. The complainant Gyaun appeared in person.

The facts of the case appear in the judgment of the High Court.

Mr. Justice Batty said: The accused in this case has been charged under Section 45 C of the Bombay Abkari Act of 1878 with wilfully doing something in breach of condition No. 20 of his license and the condition referred to is that the licenses shall not sell, transfer or sublet the right of sale. It is contended in this case that the prosecution have established, not a sublease but rather a benami purchase by the accused on behalf of the complainant; and, it is urged that the accused never obtained the right of sale, and therefore could not have transferred or sublet it. This most ingenious argument is, we think, untenable, because the right of sale does not depend on the source from which the money paid for it may have been derived, but upon the issue of the license in the name of the individual specified therein. The offence, we understand, does not consist merely in a transfer of the beneficial interest in the profits or proceeds of the business which may have been assigned but in the abandonment of the right of sale, which follows from such relinquishment of all control over sales as to enable another to exercise such control. This is the offence, of which we understand the Magistrate to have found the accused guilty on the ground that the accused never intended to exercise, and never did exercise any control over the sales from the date of the original grant of the license, but allowed and enabled somebody else, namely Gyaun and his partners, to pay for and assume entire control of the whole of the sale under the license. It does not, as contended for applicant, involve a finding that the complainant acquired the right through accused acting as his agent or on his behalf. For such acquisition would be inconsistent with the nature of the right itself as created by the Bombay Abkari Act. The complainant could not have acquired it through the accused as his agent, but only from him as a transferee, and this we take to be in effect the Magistrate's finding. That finding was arrived at on an appreciation of the evidence, with which, we think, we cannot interfere in revision. The books kept are admissible and relevant, and the evidence that the payment was made by Gyaun does not appear to have been seriously disputed in this appeal. The Lower Courts have accepted that evidence, and we do not understand that any evidence to the contrary to relent that evidence directly was adduced. It has in this application been further contended that there was only one offence, but we find that there were two licenses and two shops; therefore we think two distinct breaches were committed. We decline to interfere, and reject the petition.

A PECULIAR CASE.

At the Calcutta High Court on Thursday before Justices Brett and Gupta, Babu Dasarathi Sanyal appeared on behalf of the petitioner in the revision case of Trilo Nath Chatterjee vs.

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ENGLISHMEN IN FOREIGN SERVICE.

THAT the adventurous spirit of the English, or rather British, race is not yet extinct we are reminded in an interesting article with the above title in the *Fortnightly Review*. Probably the extent and the enormous responsibilities of the Empire are a sufficient proof of British enterprise, so long at least as the Empire continues to flourish at all. But the fact that so many Englishmen choose to serve foreign governments all over the world, and that they are in great request everywhere, affords additional and striking proof that the race is not yet played out. In the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries Englishmen figured very largely in the service of the greatest European kings. The narrow bounds of a small island could not contain them and the Empire beyond the seas did not offer the same attractions that it does to-day. Few chose to seek their fortunes in India or America if they had any intention of returning, at least before old age overtook them; but there was constant opportunity for service at the European Courts, with the prospect of hard fighting and a return to the native land just as soon as the fancy moved them. In addition to men of this kind who voluntarily sought their fortune abroad, there were a great quantity of exiles—chiefly Jacobites or Covenanters—who tried to retrieve abroad the fortunes they had lost at home. Mr. Johnston, in the article alluded to above, supplies the information about the present-day enterprize of Englishmen, which suggested our reference to the past history of the subject. The tradition of ubiquitous enterprize has survived to the present day, and although the Empire now comprises eleven and a half millions of square miles, with every variety of climate and sphere of influence, it would seem as if this gigantic concern did not offer scope enough for the vast host of adventurous spirits whom our island still annually produces. Of course the nature of the services nowadays given by Englishmen to foreign governments is somewhat different from that of yore: there are fewer soldiers amongst them, and more officials and organizers. Administration is as much the passion of the age as fighting was in the days of Gustavus Adolphus and Frederick the Great.

Seeing that Great Britain is one of the chief pioneers of Western civilization, it is only natural that the services of Englishmen should be in request in all backward countries which are conscious of their backwardness and genuinely desirous of progress. Even where a nation does not wish to come up to date, as in the case of China, the disinterested services of a foreigner are gladly availed of, particularly if they tend to bring in gold to the exchequer. Such is the case of Sir Robert Hart, the illustrious chief of the Chinese Imperial Customs Service. Sir Robert practically created the customs service of that country, for no properly organized system existed when he entered the service of the "Son of Heaven" in 1859. He has been for forty-three years Inspector General of it; and now it employs a staff of nearly a thousand Europeans, Englishmen preponderating, besides a very large number of natives. In this post of great responsibility Sir Robert has done yeoman service to the Chinese Empire and to the whole civilized world. "Eighteen hundred miles of coast have been brought under survey, lighthouses, lightships, buoys and beacons having been established at all dangerous points to safeguard navigation, while a small fleet of cruisers is maintained to enforce the regulations and keep down smuggling. Curiously enough the Customs Service was employed to establish an Imperial Post Office, as the personnel in the other government services was not up to the work. Sir Robert is held in equally high esteem with the Chinese Court and with foreign European governments. He has been decorated by almost every European monarch, by the United States and by the Pope. When the French went to war with China in 1885, and difficulties arose about the terms of peace, it was to the great Englishman that both sides turned. Sir Robert deftly carried through the negotiations and concluded a peace acceptable to both governments. In the other Chinese Departments of state no Englishmen are employed. But from 1885 to 1890 Captain Lang of the Royal Navy devoted himself to the reorganisation of the Chinese Navy. In spite of enormous difficulties, he managed to impart some degree of efficiency, but Chinese mismanagement reduced the navy to the former condition of decrepitude as soon as his controlling influence was withdrawn. In Korea a well-known figure for many years was Sir John McLeavy Brown, who controlled the Customs Department and the financial affairs of that unfortunate kingdom. He was the one man who held Korea together during the critical times which led up to the Russo-Japanese War. Siam is another of the Far Eastern countries which are in considerable debt to errant Englishmen. Of late years the government has been entirely remodelled, and the internal administration has progressed by leaps and bounds, chiefly owing to the number of European advisers employed by King Chulalongkorn. Amongst these, Englishmen predominate. They hold advisory posts in most of the departments of state—the Law Finance, Local Government, Survey, Mining etc. Above all, the Siamese Educational Service has been completely organized by an English Inspector of Schools, a graduate of Oxford. The Customs, the Inland Revenue, the Police and the Forests are also managed by Englishmen.

Japan now has largely learnt to rest on her own oars, but it is common knowledge that a host of Englishmen, amongst other Europeans and Americans, were in recent years employed to plant the exotic growth of Western civilization in Japanese soil. They were exercising positions of importence in education, railways, industries, and are largely responsible for the efficiency of the Japanese navy. Rajah Brooke should perhaps not find a place in this category, as he is not the servant of a foreign government but the autocrat and legitimate king of a considerable State. But the first Rajah and his able successors are a standing witness to the enterprise of the race. It would not be expected that in the United States, where opinion is so unfavourable to the methods of Englishmen, British subjects should acquire high official posts. But such has been and still is, the case. The present Secretary for Agriculture in the U. S. A. is a Scotsman: one of the late Speakers of the House of Representatives in Washington was a Scotsman. Titus Sheard, who defeated Roosevelt for the Speakership of the New York Senate in 1884 was an Englishman, and we might mention numerous English members of Congress and Governors of States during the last ten or twenty years. Three of the American admirals at the present day are British born. The list of British—which, of course, includes Canadian—generals serving in the United States army is a long one and several, such as Generals Miles and Quinton, served with great distinction in the Spanish-American War. The Supreme Court of New York now contains three British Justices: the late Chief Judge of the Philippines was an Irishman and the Solicitor-General of U. S. A., ten years ago was a Scot from Glasgow. In Municipal affairs we have the same tale to tell, and in the Church three quarters of the Bishops are original British subjects. Likewise some of the highest posts in the educational world of America are held by men of British parentage, for though "our educational methods may be defective, they seem to find favour in America." Coming to Europe, we might cite Marshal MeMahon and M. Waddington, who not long ago served France with marked distinction, and, not to lengthen our list unduly, it will be as well to conclude with the group of English generals and naval men around the Sultan—Vice Admiral Sir Henry Woods Pasha, Lieut.-Generals Blunt, Vinicombe and Atkinson. Finally, for years Kaid Sir Henry MacLean has exercised a commanding position at the Moroccan Court and in the army of the Sultan of Morocco. Though this list is by no means exhaustive, it should afford a striking proof that the enterprize and ability of the British race are well maintained, if indeed any such testimony is needed when the Empire itself with its vast size and the difficulty of its successful management is borne in mind. With Mr. Johnston we are forced to admit that "the fact that any Englishman can be spared from the great work of administering the Empire to attend to the affairs of other nations, redounds greatly to the nation's credit."

SENTENCED TO ASSASSINATION.

THERE is more than usual pathos in the news of the assassination of Count Ignatieff, for seven months ago an attempt was made upon his life which came so near success that the news of his assassination was published all over the world only to be officially contradicted on May 10th last. Now a second attempt has given another victory to the blood-thirsty revolutionaries, and in the close of this, the most tragic year within living memory all the world over, it calls attention to the awful peril in which many thousands of Russian ministers and officials are living at the present moment. For those soldiers and statesmen of Russia who have been formally sentenced to death by revolutionaries are perfectly aware that they may as well consider themselves dead men! It is only a matter of time. This is no exaggeration whatever. There is no escape. The Russian revolutionist thinks he earns salvation by the murder of a minister just as surely as the Japanese soldier conceives that eternity is won by dying upon the battlefield in his country's cause. Hence, while the revolutionaries regard murder in this light, the Czar's Generals and Advisers are unable to escape their doom, unless they imprison themselves behind iron-bars and stone-walls. When Count Shuvaloff was assassinated a year ago last July, he was receiving petitions publicly in his palace in Moscow. His murderer simply walked up to him and fired five poisoned bullets into his body, and allowed himself to be arrested. When General Min was killed last August, he was standing upon the railway station of St. Petersburg, when a well-dressed young woman walked up to him and deliberately shot him dead on the spot. The General, of course, knew that his end was near. It was he who, with his Semenovsky Regiment, put down the revolt in Moscow. The revolutionaries therefore sentenced him, and told him so. He knew he had only a short time to live, so from the hour of the sentence he was escorted everywhere by his regiment. On August 27th the General, feeling safer, dismissed his bodyguard and went on to the railway station unprotected. Within a few minutes he was a dead man. These statements seem like a horrible nightmare or the fulminations of a hyper-melodramatic playwright. But alas, they are solid gruesome facts. And Count Ignatieff knew, too, that his days were numbered, as surely as did General Min. And Tver, where, as Reuter states in another column, Count Ignatieff has met his end, does not contain the remains of a murdered Governor for the first time. Eight months ago M. Sleptzoff, the Governor of Tver, was the victim of the most ghastly horror ever perpetrated. He had just opened the session of the provincial Zemstvo, and his carriage was waiting outside the house of the Marshal of the Nobility when a bomb was hurled at his carriage, and the Governor's limbs were eventually gathered up from all parts of the street. The bomb was hurled from above right into the Governor's lap, and only his legs remained in the carriage. M. Sleptzoff was well aware that he was under the inexorable revolutionary sentence of death, and he had taken every precaution to defeat the attempt of the Nihilists, saving making a prisoner of himself. So it was with M. de Plehve, the Grand Duke Sergius, Prince Nakashedeze, General Sakharoff, General Boganovitch, General Dragomiroff, General Zholtanovski, Admiral Nusnich, General Wonlarlarski, M. Sipiaguine, General Jeltanowsky, General Zukato, General Westeuring and many other murdered Russian soldiers whose fate we have recorded during the last year or two. At this moment there must be scores of Russian officers and statesmen under the revolutionary ban, who daily watch the sun rise, without knowing if they will see it set.

THE PAST SESSION.

WHEN some future Green carefully collects his information for the compilation of another Short History of the English people the past session will rank in comparison with some of the noted sittings of the Cromwellian period. It would, indeed, be difficult to find a modern instance of greater effort and less result. For the past few months the Commons have been carrying out the initial stages of measures for which the Government claims a mandate and, as everyone foresaw, the Upper House has stepped in to voice the feeling of the other half of the country in the matter of the educational proposals. Important though the other measures be—the Trade Dispute Bill, the Land Tenure Bill, the Plural voting Bill and several smaller measures—they have faded with comparative insignificance by the side of the great measure which was brought in by Mr. Birrell to modify that passed by the late Government a few years ago. The controversy then was singularly keen and the defeat of the Opposition resulted in the formation of the band of Passive Resisters who are now appealing for funds to help them in a campaign which should need no funds at all. The last session has seen even more bitterness brought into the subject, and the bitterness is not confined to the two Houses of Parliament but is spread over the whole country, in fact almost Englishmen over the whole Empire. A few days ago there seemed a probability that a compromise between the Lords and the Commons would be effected but neither House really desired a compromise and very little manœuvring was required to bring about the final dead look. The result must be that sooner or later an appeal will be made to the country on the question of the schools. Mr. Balfour very reasonably thinks that the Government will not risk losing power so soon and will content themselves with a policy, of, judging by the year's debates, mud throwing. In the speech from the Throne the King referred to the controversy but he only expressed that which each party requires, according to its own light, a desire for a settlement. Reuter tells us that the closing scenes of the session were closed by extreme bitterness. During the recess there will be an interesting campaign amongst the constituencies and it bodes little good for religious harmony. The attitude of the Government in the next session will be awaited eagerly and meanwhile the nation has opportunity of a fuller contemplation of one of the most futile sessions in modern memory.

*** TO-MORROW, being Christmas Day, will be observed as a holiday in this Office. There will, therefore, be no issue of the *Bombay Gazette* on Wednesday morning.

*** TO-MORROW morning we shall issue with each copy of the *Bombay Gazette* a Special Literary Supplement, containing five complete new stories by popular authors and a number of original articles, the whole forming a delightful budget of Christmas reading. It is not the intention of the conductors of this journal to offer any copies of the Supplement for sale, but to present them gratis to subscribers and purchasers of the *Gazette* of December 25 only. Orders should therefore be sent in to the publishers without delay.

THE Bank of Rangoon, Limited, is opening a Branch at Madras on the 15th of January.

THE German East Africa Line Steamer "Kaiser" left Zanzibar for Bombay on the 21st instant, *vis* Mombassa and Goa.

THE Messageries Maritimes Co., s. s. Armand Behie left Colombo for Bombay on Sunday and she is excepted here on Wednesday 26th inst. at 6 a.m.

WE wish many happy returns of the day to Sir Lawrence Jenkins, who celebrated his birthday on Saturday having been born in 1858.

MR. HALLIDAY, the Commissioner of Police in Calcutta, proceeds on eleven months' leave from April next.

MR. STEWART-WILSON, Director, General of the Post Office, arrived at Calcutta from Burma and remains there till the end of the month.

Lord and Lady Minto will spend Christmas at Barrackpore where the House Party will number about forty.

The Customs Notifications which have first appeared fix the tariff values of certain specified articles from January 1st, 1907.

The Dhanbard Gya Section of the Grand Chord Line will be open to goods traffic from the 1st of January and to passenger traffic from the 1st of February.

WE are informed by the Telegraph Department that the recent interruption of all wires between Calcutta and Madras is now at an end, the wires having been restored.

COLONEL ADAM, the Military Secretary to the Viceroy, has now practically recovered from the attack of fever which has kept him on the sick list for the past few days.

THE Messageries Maritimes Co., s. s. "Dumbea," left Marseilles for Bombay on the 19th inst. en route for Australia and is expected here on the 3rd of January.

THE Physician in charge St. George's Hospital, will gratefully receive any presents of fruit, cake, wine, game and toys etc. for the use of the patients and children in St. George's Hospital during the Christmas season.

WHO is to be the next Governor of Ceylon is still causing a mild sensation in the island. Some time ago, on the authority of a West India journal, it was stated that the successor of Sir Henry Blake was likely to be either Sir James Swettenham or Sir William Macgregor. Later news from nearer the "throne of grace" says that Sir Henry MacCallum has stronger claims than either of the other two candidates.

RUBBER planters will be interested to know that the "Official Account of the Ceylon Rubber Exhibition" has now been issued, under the General title of "Rubber in the East." It forms a neat volume of 270 pages, bound in green and gold, which can be obtained from the Government Printer, Colombo. It contains a large number of illustrations, maps, plans, etc. The "Lessons of the Exhibition" are summed up, in a chapter of eight pages, by Mr. J. C. Willis.

A Tuticorin correspondent writes:—"The European Firms of Tuticorin have recently formed a local Chamber of Commerce, with Mr. James Milligan as their first Chairman. It has been felt for a long time past that such a Chamber would be distinctly beneficial to the commerce of this port, and with the sympathetic view recently taken by Government of the required improvements of the port, it is hoped that the interests of the Mercantile community of Tuticorin will be hereafter promoted in every direction.

Mme. Adelina Patti states (in the *Graphic*) that it was at Monte Video that she received the highest fee ever given to her or—she believes—to any other singer. She was paid £1,200 a night during two consecutive seasons of sixty nights each.

COUNT BONI DE CASTELLANE has an opportunity to add to the income allowed him by the French divorce court. From the popular Cafe Martin, Fifth-avenue, New York, has come an offer of £2,000 a year for his services as head waiter there. The Court has not yet replied.

THE driver of an omnibus in a South London suburb once owned the vehicle, but disposed of it some years ago to a company on condition that he received so much per week for his life. He also stipulated that when he died the bus should be broken up. He has driven it for a quarter of a century.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

GERMANY AND TOGOLAND.

Atheistical Outburst by a French Minister.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, DECEMBER 8.

The Pope, the French Clergy and French Catholics generally may not unnaturally feel some distrust of a government, a member of which M. Viviani, the Minister of Labour, delivered himself the other day, in the Chamber of Deputies, of a most violent, not to say appalling, atheistical outburst such as might have proceeded from the lips of Hebert in the National Convention at the time of the first French revolution but not, I think, to be paralleled in any Legislature since. "The Third Republic," said M. Viviani, "has summoned round it the children of peasants and artisans and into their dim minds instilled by degrees the revolutionary seed of instruction. But that was not enough. All in unison through our forefathers, our elders and our own decision we have associated ourselves with the past in the work of anticlericalism in the work of irreligion. We have liberated the human conscience from Faith. When some poor wretch, weary with the weight of his daily labour, kneels to pray, we lift him up, we say to him that behind the mists there is nothing but chimeras. Together and with magnificent gesture we have extinguished in heaven the lights that will never be lit afresh".—The speech in which this passage occurred was by an overwhelming majority of the Chamber ordered to be placarded in all the communes of France at the expense of the State. Nevertheless the Government, radical and partly socialist though it may be, and however much bound to the cause of purely secular education, still shrinks from an open conflict with Catholism at the Church door itself. Even at the eleventh hour therefore some tacit kind of *modus vivendi* between the State and the clergy in regard to the application of the separation law, may be expected.

Another little indication of the anti-religious spirit prevailing among the ruling powers in France is afforded by the fact that the Chamber of Deputies has voted the suppression of the traditional device 'Dieu protige la France' on the outer rim of the gold 20-franc pieces

FRANCE AND THE ALGECIRAS AGREEMENT.

The French Chamber on the 6th instant unanimously ratified the Algeciras agreement after passing by 457 to 56 votes a resolution declaring that the Chamber, relying upon the Government to ensure the execution of the convention of Algeciras with the rights which are its consequece and to guarantee the security of French subjects, passes to the order of the day. There was a long previous debate in which M. Juaris, speaking for the Socialist group of which he is the leader attacked the policy of the Government which he said had taken a dangerous initiative in undertaking joint action with Spain. They had acted with precipitation and exceeded their mandate. He also hinted that moderation was needed with regard to the friendship with Great Britain. M. Plichon declared that a complete understanding existed between France and Spain and that the Powers had received an identic note from them on the subject. The Minister repeated former assurances in regard to the avoidance by France and Spain of any policy of adventure—declaring that no landing could be effected unless absolutely necessary. They could not go beyond the precise object aimed at, and that of restoring order and protecting the lives and interests of the European colony.

Vice Admiral Touchard will command the combined French and Spanish forces. The outlook at Tangier is not reassuring. The Sultan is shortly expected there but, considering his past record, his sincerity is regarded as a doubtful quantity, while Raisuli looms large as a very disturbing factor—It is not at all to his interest that the reign of law and order should be restored at Tangier considering that he will thus sink into comparative insignificance. Meanwhile he continues to terrorise the whole district of Tangier.

GERMAN COLONIAL SCANDALS.

When England was in the throes of the South African War accusations of revolting inhumanity in her dealings with the Boers were freely disseminated by a portion of the French press, but still more by the German, Dutch and Belgian papers, often with high official countenance. Justice has only been tardily and very imperfectly done to England in this respect but foreigners may not perhaps be wholly without excuse for this, considering that the British Premier, then in opposition did not hesitate to charge the British Army in South Africa with methods of barbarism. Now the wheel of time is reversing the positions. The Dutch have been guilty of some pretty strong things in the relentless war which they have waged with varying success against the natives of Acheen, and it is but lately that some light has been thrown upon their doings in those regions. The revelations of the atrocities committed on the Congo, in order to stimulate the unhappy natives to bring in ever larger supplies of that increasingly valuable commodity rubber, shew what the Belgian Colonial officials are capable of, and now we have German Colonial methods exposed under the fierce light of criticism in the German Reichstag. The traducers and calumniators stand at the bar of public opinion in their turn. On the occasion of the debate on the Colonial estimates which has been proceeding in the Reichstag for the last six days and is still unfinished, not only the socialists but prominent members of the clerical centre have brought the gravest possible charges against German public officials in German East Africa, the Camerons and Togoland. They are alleged and have been guilty of crimes of the most revolting character, their victims including many helpless black women and girls who were subjected to unnamable atrocities. Some public servants have kept harems under the lash and murdered girls who attempted to escape, others ordered shameful mutilations to be inflicted on dead rebel natives as proof that they had been killed. The ears which were at first exacted as proof were not satisfactory as the savage native auxiliaries cut off the ears of women to make up the tale. It is impossible to accept all the charges made in the course of the debates as proved, as the evidence in the hands of the Government will not be produced except before the Commission of Enquiry which several members of the Reichstag have demanded and which Prince Bulow, the Chancellor, and Herr Dernburg the Colonial Secretary, acknowledge to be necessary. But even if granted this enquiry will in all probability be kept in official hands and cannot therefore be very convincing to public opinion. Despite the absence of positive proof, for the reason mentioned above, there seems to be no doubt that a *prima facie* case has been made out that horrible deeds have been committed by German officials and that they have not been punished. In fact, in a number of cases the home authorities are charged with stifling enquiry and shielding the criminals. Herr Von Kardoff a member of the Right proclaimed his friendship for the notorious Dr. Peters and expressed the wish that there might always be a ruling class in Germany to stand up for its friends.

THE KAISER'S OPTIMISM.

The Emperor, only a short time back, in an audience granted to a German novelist at Munich, made a great profession of optimism which he declared to be his guiding principle in all matters and at all times. It is not, however, at present generally shared by the German public. German foreign policy is not regarded as producing satisfactory results for the Empire, while in the colonial domain the present debates and revelations in the Reichstag are bound to have a depressing effect.

CHINESE LABOUR FOR PRUSSIAN AGRICULTURE.

The West Prussian Chamber of Agriculture at Danzig, in view of the terrible scarcity of agricul tural labour in the province, has adopted a resolution declaring that the Chamber regarded the recuriting of Chinese as agricultural labourers as deplorable from a natural stand-point, but that it appeared to be inevitable and accordingly instructed its committee to take the preliminary steps for the introduction of coolies. The agrarian *Deutsch Jagenzeitung* urges the grave danger of such a measure to the population and expresses the belief that it will be combated with the utmost firmness.

THE KOEPENICK CAPTAIN'S SENTENCE.

All the romance of the adventure of Cobbler Voight, who so cleverly personated a Captain of Prussian Grenadiers and perpetrated a most colossal hoax upon the Mayor of Koepenick has been snuffed out by the sentence of four years' imprisonment which has been passed upon this amusingly audacious rogue. He is also mulcted in the costs of the prosecution which of course he is destitute of any means to pay. Public sympathy was almost universally with the pale bald old man of emaciated features and hollow eyes as he stood in the dock neatly attired and quite self possessed. He described his career before the Koepenick exploit as that of a dog with a bad name whom the police hunted from place to place and would never allow to earn an honest living. In fact he had found work at his shoemaking trade with a respectable tradesman at Weimar who at the trial spoke most warmly of him as a good trustworthy workman. But from this refuge, too, he was driven by the police and it was then that he planned the Koepenick hoax. He had never done any military service but as a boy spent all his spare time with the soldiers in the cavalry barracks at Tilsit. When a mere youth he committed his first offence, that of forging a postal order for a small amount, and for this was sentenced to ten years' penal servitude and 1,500 thalers fine. He never had a chance of redemption since. One of the prison Chaplains gave him an excellent character as an industrious and polite man and no hypocrite. Voight spoke fluently and correctly and caused intense amusement by his description of the awe that he inspired as Captain of Grenadiers.

THE CONGO FREE STATE.

A crisis appears to be approaching in the history of the Congo Free State, that huge section of Africa over which the King of the Belgians has ruled despotically for the last 20 years, extracting a very large revenue from the country by the merciless methods employed by the Congo State administration in compelling the natives to furnish supplies of rubber for a merely nominal payment. The position of the natives is in fact little removed from that of absolute slavery and accounts brought to England from the Congo for years past by reputable witnesses of the atrocities which the Congolese have endured at the hands of their Belgian taskmasters recall the cruelties of the old Spanish conquerors in Mexico and Peru. King Leopold has treated a considerable portion of the revenue from the Congo State as his own private appanage and has made abroad, principally in England, it is believed, large investments of the proceeds on his own personal account. Public opinion in England has been greatly moved by the atrocities connected with the rubber traffic and official representations have been made in Brussels on the subject from time to time but without the least effect. In the first place the Belgian Government has always been disposed to resent British interference and then its reply has invariably been that the Congo State is no Colony of Belgium's but is ruled by King Leopold, its independent sovereign. But the British Government has lately become more insistent and Sir Edward Grey replying recently to a very influential deputation declared that England must endeavour to induce the Belgians to interfere by constitutional methods in order to put an end to the present anarchical state of things in Central Africa. The entire system must be changed. If nothing were done by King Leopold or the Belgian Government, then England might intervene and force a change in the Congo regime with or without the concurrence of Continental Powers. Help from any of them and especially Germany is highly problematical. Germany entirely distrusts the purity of England's motives and suspects her of desiring to further her own trade interests under pretence of philanthropy. The same suspicion is, in fact, pretty much diffused throughout Europe. German influence is increasing at Brussels and King Leopold regards the Kaiser as an excellent friend. The solution which commends itself to the British Government as the only satisfactory one is that Belgium should buy out King Leopold and annex the Congo State as a Belgian colony. This course also finds favour with a large section of the Liberal party in the Belgian Chamber and with many patriotic Belgians who, while they warmly resent anything like outside dictation or pressure upon their King in the affairs of the Congo, are fully alive to the present irregular and unsatisfactory state of affairs which many of them regard as a stain upon the national honour and impossible to be maintained indefinitely. What King Leopold's views or intentions are is not clear, but certainly since 1901 when the Congo State became so profitable a possession, he has no longer appeared willing to turn this territory over to Belgium. These tactics have, on the contrary, become decidedly dilatory and obstructive. In 1890 the Congo State was embarassed and Belgium lent King Leopold £1,000,000 on certain conditions from most of which the King has since succeeded in getting himself released. The King did then make a will bequeathing the Congo Free State to Belgium at his death, but eminent Belgian lawyers have not failed to point out that there is nothing to prevent His Majesty rendering this nugatory by a later testament. Altogether the King, since 1901, has contrived to strengthen his position enormously as against the Belgian Government and to render it extremely difficult for Belgium to find any means of controlling his actions or limiting his absolute power as Sovereign of the Congo Free State. A debate upon the Congo State question commenced several days ago in the Belgian Chamber and is still proceeding. It has been of a confused character. The more judicious speakers have ignored England's representations as far as possible and treat the matter as one exclusively concerning the Belgians and their King. They do not admit that their advocacy of annexation implies acceptance of all the charges brought by English missionaries and others against the administration of the Congo State in its dealings with the natives and desire to deprive the strong reactionary and pro-Congo State elemeut in the Chamber of any pretext for working upon popular passion by the cry of no foreign dictation. The exercise of the right of annexation granted to Belgium by the treaty with King Leopold of July 1890 would involve as a preliminary measure the adoption of a colonial charter and the signature of a transfer convention between Belgium and the Congo State. Moreover, a recent decree of King Leopold creates vested interests in the Congo State and to acquire these, Belgians would have need of a sum of fully £20,000,000.

Should Great Britain be driven to take action by the continuance of the Congo scandals, it is expected that she would claim the rights of consular jurisdiction on the Congo which, with the aid of the navigation Commission, created by the Act of 1885 defining the position of the Congo Free State, would enable her to patrol the waterways of the Congo for the protection of British trading interests. In yesterday's debate in the Belgian Chamber, M. Bernaert who was Premier in 1885 in the establishment of the Congo State pronounced for annexation but not until they were fully enlightened as to the situation. He deplored forced labour of the natives especially in the mines, and said that the exploitation of the country was bad. The whole question is generally admitted to be the most important which the Belgian people have been called upon to decide since the separation from Holland in 1830.

G. D. WILLIAMS.

THE AMIR'S VISIT.

Arrangements for Guests.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DECEMBER 22.

There is only one road to the Review Ground, and no one will be allowed to use it without a pass.

Admission to the Stands at the Review, which accommodate about 1,300 persons, will be by ticket, to be obtained on payment of Rs. 4 for a chair and Rs. 2 for a bench seat, at the Eastern Command Office, No. 46, Mansfield Road, Agra.

Admission to the Polo Ground will be on payment to the Honorary Secretary, Agra Club, of an entrance fee of Rs. 25 for men and Rs. 15 for ladies. This will admit to the Polo Ground for the whole Tournament and carries with it Honorary Membership of the Agra Club from the 1st to the 20th of January.

The Local Committee proposes to levy a small subscription from those who attend the dances at Metcalfe Hall.

Passes will be issued from the Central Police Bureaus for admission to the State functions. It must be clearly understood that, except in case of British Officers in uniform, the police have been instructed to refuse admittance to any person who is not able to present his pass. The pass should, therefore, be carried on all occasions. Should it be accidentally lost a fresh one will be issued on requisition at the Central Police Bureau, the previous pass issued under the same name being at the same time cancelled.

On the occasion of the Grand Chapter and the Viceroy's Evening Party at the Fort, arrangements have been made which will enable guests to obtain their carriages rapidly without having to wait at the entrance when they leave.

PARLIAMENT PROROGUED.

SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

The King on the Education Controversy.

HOPEFUL OUTLOOK IN IRELAND.

THE AMIR'S VISIT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 21.

Parliament was prorogued to-day. The King, in his speech from the Throne, said :—

"My relations with the Foreign Powers continue friendly. The Amir's forthcoming visit of friendship to the Viceroy of India is a gratifying indication of the amicable relations which exist between the Amir and my Government.

"I regret that, notwithstanding the protracted consideration which has been given to the improvement of Primary and Secondary Education, no settlement of the difficulty has been arrived at."

His Majesty then alluded to the marriage of his niece to King Alfonso of Spain and to their merciful preservation from the Bomb Outrage.

His Majesty continued :—"The visit of King Haakon and Queen Maud cannot fail to promote friendly relations between Norway and Great Britain.

"There has been a distinct improvement in the condition of Crete. The Powers are giving their close attention to the reforms which are being gradually introduced into Macedonia."

Mention was then made of the conclusion of the Abyssinian and New Hebrides Agreements ; of the satisfactory arrangements with France and Germany for the delimitation of the Frontiers in the Tchad region ; and of the satisfactory settlement of the Congo, Soudanese, and Eastern Egyptian boundaries.

His Majesty trusted that in the coming year the new form of Government would come into full operation in the Transvaal and Orangia, and would exert a powerful influence in securing the peace and prosperity of both the Colonies and the unity and strength of His Majesty's possessions in South Africa.

In conclusion, His Majesty said :—"I am happy to say that Ireland continues tranquil. The general improvement in the peasantry makes the failure of the potato crop less grave than it would have been in former times."

CLOSING SCENES OF THE SESSION.

Lords' Amendments Rejected.

ATTACK ON MR. BALFOUR.

LONDON, DECEMBER 21, LATER.

The closing day again saw the Lords and Commons in conflict owing to the Lords' excluding Scotland from the School Children's Meals Bill.

Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman endorsed the Scottish Commoners' condemnation, but advised acquiescence in preference to losing the Bill.

The House of Commons accordingly acquiesced.

The Lords have not insisted on their amendments to the Workmen's Compensation and the Land Tenure Bills, while a compromise was arranged regarding the Town Tenants in Ireland Bill.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The action of Mr. Balfour over the Education Bill dispute is criticized in certain Conservative circles, and he is charged with subordinating the policy of his party to mere tactics.

PASSIVE RESISTERS ACTIVE.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

A Manifesto issued by the Nationa. Passive Resistance Committee appeals for funds to continue the fight against aggressive lericalism. It mentions that there have been 80,000 summonses and 318 imprisonments.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The Passive Resisters have issued a manifesto and the movement is being vigorously revived.

A public appeal for funds has been made.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINA AND MANCHURIA.

LONDON, DECEMBER 21.

The *Times'* Peking correspondent states that Tsitsihar will also be opened to foreign trade and residence.

THE RUSSIAN DUMA.

Date of the next Election.

ANOTHER ASSASSINATION.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The elections for the Duma are fixed for the 19th February, except in the more remote parts of Russia.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The next elections for the Duma have been fixed for February 19.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

Count Alexis Ignatieff, former Governor-General of Kieff, has been assassinated at Tver by an unknown man, who fired six revolver shots into he Count. The murderer was arrested.

THE SHAH'S CONDITION.

Grave News.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The Shah of Persia is in a very unsatisfactory condition.

The Crown Prince has been appointed Regent.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The death is announced of Professor Maitland, Professor of English Law at Cambridge.

THE CHURCH IN FRANCE.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN STUDENTS EVICTED.

Appeal to the Embassies.

THE POPE AND THE HAGUE.

[THROUGH REUTE'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 21.

The Vatican to-day handed to the Diplomats accredited to the Holy See, a Note vehemently protesting againt the expulsion of the Papal Representative from France, and the seizure of secret papers, including the Vatican Diplomatic Code.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The French Chamber, by 413 against 166, passed a new Government Bill, modifying the Separation Law in a manner conciliatory to the Church, despite the opposition of the Radicals and Socialists, whose attitude lately is causing apprehension of a Ministerial defeat.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The New Public Worship Bill has passed the French Senate by a majority of 353.

The Pope proposes to bring the violation of the Nunciature before the Hague Tribunal, and hopes to induce one of the Powers to remonstrate with France.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

Addition of Turbines.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

In the course of a debate on the French Navy, M. Thomson, Minister of Marine, stated that half the new war ships now on order will be fitted with turbines.

THE GERMAN ELECTIONS.

Vigorous Naval Programme Anticipated.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The German Government, through the medium of the semi-official journals, has submitted a programme to the Electors in which it trusts the nation will render a second dissolution unnecessary and says no new Kulturkampp is contemplated.

The Conservative paper *Reichsbote* declares that the first task of the new Reichstag will be a vigorous naval programme.

THE TRANSVAAL GOVERNOR.

Lord Selbourne Re-appointed.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The *Gazette* announces that Lord Selbourne has been re-appointed Governor of the Transvaal.

THE VACANCY AT WASHINGTON.

Mr. Bryce's Appointment Approved.

THE IRISH SECRETARYSHIP.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

President Roosevelt has intimated that the appointment of Mr. Bryce as British Ambassador at Washington would be entirely acceptable to the American Government.

The *Times* says that it is rumoured that there have been serious differences between Mr. Bryce and Sir Antony MacDonnell and that the latter may succeed Mr. Bryce.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE IN AUSTRIA.

A Bid for Internal Peace.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

Both Houses in Austria have passed the Universal Suffrage Bill in order, as the Premier said, to secure peace in Austria.

THE OPEN-DOOR IN CHINA.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

Nanning, on the West River in China, has been added to the open towns already mentioned.

THE QUEEN OF SPAIN.

Accouchement Expected in April.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22.

The *Official Gazette* of Madrid announces that the accouchement of Her Majesty the Queen is expected in April.

THE MOROCCO QUESTION.

An Army in Rags.

FEARS OF EUROPEANS.

LONDON, DECEMBER 23.

Morocco advices state that Guebba's Army is now encamped outside Tangier, his men are mostly in rags, and the local Governor has borrowed liveries from the servants of the European residents to give a respectable appearance to his few troops when they went to meet Guebbas. There is a strong feeling among the Europeans that Guebba's troops are more likely to attack the Europeans than Raisuli's people

FOOTBALL NEWS.

LONDON, DECEMBER 22

The South Africans have defeated Cornwall by 9 to 8.

THE CRETAN QUESTION.

SPEECH BY THE GREEK PREMIER.

Solution of the Difficulties.

GREECE AND ROUMANIA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 21.

In the Greek Chamber, the Premier said that—as the result of the steps which the King had taken on the initiative of the powerful Sovereign of a great power and with the good will of the four protecting Powers—the Cretan question had received a solution. The Premier considered that that was a great step towards union, and said that Greece would soon be able to greet the representatives of Crete in the Chamber.

Greece, he continued, declined to take the first step of reconciliation with Roumania and repudiated responsibility for the activity of Greek bands in Macedonia.

THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHTS.

Starts on a Tour in January.

LONDON, DECEMBER 23.

It is officially announced that the Duke of Connaught starts on his Eastern tour on the 10th January.

LORD WENLOCK AT MADRAS.

Notable Public Reception.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, DECEMBER 22.

Lord Wenlock, accompanied by the Hon'ble Mrs. Portman, the Hon'ble Mrs. Forbes, and Miss Martineau, arrived at Madras this morning from Colombo on a visit to His Excellency the Governor of Madras. Their arrival was made the occasion of a public reception at the station, where a guard-of-honour of the Madras Volunteer Guards was drawn up. A very large number of people were present to meet Lord Wenlock, including Colonel the Hon'ble R. T. Lawley, the Members of the Governor's Staff, the Hon'ble G. S. Forbes, the Hon'ble H. Bradley, and other members of the Government, and a strong deputation representing the Mohamedan community.

SIR CHUNDER MADHAB'S RETIREMENT.

Presented with Addresses from the Bar.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

This morning Sir Chunder Madhab sat in the Chief Justice's Court for the last time in his official capacity, and after tiffin occasion was taken to present him with an address from the Vakils and another from the Attorneys of the Court ; whilst the Advocate-General and the Senior Government Pleader made appropriate speeches on his retirement. The number of people who assembled at the Court-house bore striking evidence of the esteem in which the veteran Judge is held, and though the presentation was not arranged to take place before half-past 2 p.m., the room was crowded long before that hour. Those around the Barristers' table were able to see the casket containing the Address which lay there. It is a silver cylinder, handsomely mounted with gold.

There was a Full Bench present when Babu Ram Chunder Mitter presented the address on behalf of the Vakils. Mr. P. O'Kinealy, the Advocate-General, spoke on behalf of the Bar, and an Address was presented on behalf of the Attorneys by Mr. H. H. Remfry. Mr. Justice Ghose replied thanking the Bar in suitable words.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The Governor General in Council has accepted the resignation tendered by the Hon'ble Sir Chunder Madhab Ghose of his office of Judge of the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal with effect from the 2nd of January, 1907.

NEW JUDGES FOR THE CALCUTTA HIGH COURT.

No Mahomedan Appointment.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDNT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 23.

The following Press communique has been issued :—

His Majesty the King-Emperor has approved the appointments of the Hon'ble Messrs. C. P. Caspersz and H. Holmwood and Mr. C. W. Chitty to be Judges of the Calcutta High Court *vice* Messrs. Pargiter and Pratt who have already retired and Sir C. M. Ghose who retires with effect from the 2nd January 1907.

ULTERING A FORGED DOCUMENT.

Imprisonment Suspended

APPEAL DISMISSED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, DECEMBER 22.

Messrs. Justices Lucas and Crouch delivered judgment to-day in the appeal filed by Mir Fazal Mahomed Khan Talpur of Mirpur Khasagains the conviction and sentence of three months' simple imprisonment and a find of Rs. 1,000 passed on him by the Sessions Judge of Hyderabad (Sind) on the 29th of October last, for using forged documents with fraudulent and dishonest intent.

The Judges dismissed the appeal and confirmed the Lower Court's decision.

By order of Government the sentence of imprisonment, however, has been suspended and only the fine has been recovered.

OCEAN FREIGHT.

Calculation of Rate Adopted.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce has circulated for information of the members the following new ruling which has been adopted after reference to all the members of the Chamber, the Liners' Conference and the shipping Sub-Committee of the Chamber :—"Ocean freight payable in Calcutta, whether on Inward or Outward Bills of Lading, shall be calculated at the rate of Exchange for Demand Drafts, given in the Calcutta Price current and Money Market Report published every Thursday by the Bengal Chamber of Commerce. The rate to be enforced from the day after each Mail day to the following Mail day inclusive.

THE ACCIDENT TO THE P. & O. EXPRESS TRAIN.

(BY AN EYE WITNESS.)

ABOUT 4 o'clock in the morning of the 7th December, as the P. & O. Express Train from Calais to Marseilles, running at about 50 miles an hour, was passing a spot some 30 miles north of Avignon, a heavy piece of iron, about 12 feet long, 2 feet broad, and 1 inch thick, looking like part of the girder of a bridge, fell on top of Sleeping Car No. 2, stoving in the domed roof of the car and settling down on the tops of the cross-walls which form the partitions between the different sleeping compartments. The debris of the roof fell into the three front compartments, containing Beds Nos. 1 and 2, Nos. 3 and 4, and Nos. 5 and 6, respectively. The impact of the girder had also the effect of destroying the front lavatory compartment, and making the three upper beds, Nos. 2, 4, and 6, with their occupants, fall down on the lower Beds Nos. 1, 3, and 5. In the compartment containing Beds Nos. 1 and 2, the upper bed fell at an angle, obliquely, thus allowing the escape of both passengers almost without injury. In the compartment containing beds Nos. 3 and 4 much the same appears to have taken place, except for the most unfortunate fact that some of the debris from the roof appears to have struck, in the abdomen, a passenger named Mr. Hanna, said to be connected with the Madras Railway, who occupied the upper berth ; and he died from internal hæmorrhage after being placed in hospital at Avignon. His wife, who had occupied the lower berth, received only slight injuries, and stayed behind with her dying husband.

In the next compartment, containing Beds Nos. 5 and 6, the upper bed, No. 6, was occupied by a Mr. H. S. Crawford, and the lower one, No. 5, by Mr. Seymour Keay, formely M. P. for Elgin and Nairn. In this case, the upper bed and its occupant dropped straight down on the top of the lower bed, completely burying Mr. Keay, and almost killing him, both by pressure and suffocation. Mr. Crawford,—said to be slightly injured,—went to another part of the train, which proceeded on its way. Someone, however, eventually heard Mr. Keay's shouts for help, and, pulling the communication cord, stopped the train. Mr. Keay was eventually dug out, with several wounds on his face, causing great loss of blood. The remaining compartments in Car No. 2 were not seriously damaged, but the Dining Car and both Sleeping Cars, Nos. 1 and 2, had to be detached at Avignon and ordinary carriages substituted.

REFUSAL OF APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER.

Allegations against an Arbitrator.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DECEMBER 22.

In the Allahabad High Court, one Ghulam Hossain of Meerut applied to Justice Richards for the transfer of his case from the file of the Court of Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell, Cantonment Magistrate, Meerut, which was heard in his capacity as Judge of the Small Cause Court. It appears that the case in which the applicant was defendant had been referred to arbitration and the arbitrator's award was against the defendant. The defendant appealed to contest the award, and in doing so and making certain allegations against the arbitrator, Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell drew the applicant's attention to certain sections of the Indian Penal Code and also remarked that the arbitrator was a member of a very respectable firm.

The District Judge of Meerut was approached with a petition for transfer of the case from Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell's file, but the learned Judge held that, though the procedure of Lieutenant-Colonel Campbell was open to question, there were no valid grounds for the transfer, as the Cantonment Court was sure to give the applicant every opportunity to prove his case.

After hearing Satya Chandra Mukerji, Vakil, in support of the application for transfer, Justice Richards took the same view as the District Judge and refused the application.

ATTEMPTED MURDER OF MR. NAPIER.

Accused Found Guilty.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DECEMBER 22.

The case in which Irshad Ali was charged with the attempted murder of Mr. Napier, the Deputy Commissioner of Raipur, was resumed at Raipur on Friday.

The accused examined Mr. Zakir Ali, the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, who stated that he accepted the accused's sureties for the District Magistrate on the day of the occurrence. The accused then gave up the examination of the remaining witnesses and closed his case. He addressed the Judge and Assessors at great length.

His argument was that, being once condemned as a *badmash*, it was easy to prove any offence against him, and said that he was the victim of mistaken identity.

The accused burst into tears as he concluded his argument.

The Court-room was packed with spectators.

Both the Assessors found the accused guilty. The Judge reserved judgment until the 24th instant, remarking that the case was a simple one and involved no points of law, and the only question before him was whether the evidence adduced had brought home the charge to the cacused.

EXPORTATION OF DISEASED HORSES.

Proposals for Prevention.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The Government of India have recently, in consultation with the Board of Agriculture and Industries in the United Kingdom, had under consideration the steps necessary to prevent the importation from India into the United Kingdom of a disease among horses known as Dourine. It has been decided that legislation, with the object of preventing the exportation of horses into the United Kingdom, except under certificates of freedom from the disease, is unnecessary ; but that arrangements will be made for the grant of such certificates at the seaport towns of India to such exporters as may voluntarily apply for them.

THE SWADESHI S. N. CO.

Formation in Full Swing.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MADRAS, DECEMBER 22.

The Managing Director of the Swadeshi Steam Navigation Company telegraphs that the preliminary work of the Company is now in full swing. Ten thousand shares have been taken up and negotiations for the purchase of two steamers are almost complete. These will be placed on the Colombo-Tuticorin run by February next.

The Company has no connection with the Shah Line, which has recently withdrawn its steamer from the run.

INDIAN RAILWAY EARNINGS.

April to December.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The statement of the approximate gross earnings of all Indian Railways for the period from 1st April to 9th December shows an excess of 128 lakhs as compared with the earnings of the same period last year. The principal increases are—Bengal-Nagpur, 11 3/4 lakhs ; East Indian, 27 1/2 lakns ; and the Oudh and Rohilkhand, 35 1/3 lakhs. The principal instances of decrease are—The G, I. P. Railway, 17 3/4 lakhs.

DEPARTURE OF CONGRESS DELEGATES.

Enthusiastic Send Off to Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji.

THE Bombay Delegates left for Calcutta by the Nagpur mail at 11 35 a.m. on Saturday, to attend the 22nd Indian National Congress, which will hold its sittings in Calcutta from the 26th to the 28th instant. Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji, being the President-elect of this Congress, also left by the same train—a fact which drew hundreds of people to the railway station. From the early morning the Victoria Terminus Luggage Hall was heavily laden with the bag and baggage, trunks and baskets, etc., of over 200 passengers. The Railway and Police authorities had a busy time enough by reason of the large number of Delegates leaving, but the flow of people attracted to the station and assembled in the street to see the "Grand Old Man of India" was so tremendous that at one time it looked as if the whole of Bombay was coming to the station and the authorities were compelled to shut the gates allowing only the Delegates who held tickets to pass through the Booking Hall.

The train steamed into the platform at half-past ten o'clock to receive the passengers, who were accompanied by a very large number of friends and relations and had been waiting since 9 a.m. The carriage to convey Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji was artistically decked with flowers and bunting, one compartment in the saloon carriage being placed at the disposal of Sir Pherozeshah Mehta. This train was a special one, being the first part of the Nagpur Mail which left half-an-hour later.

A few minutes before the starting of the train, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta arrived on the platform and was received with cheers by the crowd. Some Parsi ladies and gentlemen who were waiting among the crowd garlanded him and presented flowers.

Mr. Naoroji arrived at the station in company of Mr. D. E. Wacha, and Mr. R. D. Tata, whose guest he was in Bombay during his short stay here. The large concourse of people shouted loudly as his motor-car was sighted and the police had to force a way for him to alight and go to the station. The crowd was growing in dimensions every minute, and vast and commodious as the Victoria Terminus is, it was found not big enough to contain the crowd. Amidst enthusiastic shouts and cheers, Mr. Naoroji was presented with flowers and garlanded, the same thing being repeated as he entered the saloon. Many Parsi ladies and gentlemen were waiting to personally decorate the old gentleman with gorgeous garlands of flowers, and Mr. Naoroji patiently accepted the flowers from every one of them. This presentation ceremony lasted till the train started, and all the while the shouting and cheering changed the station into something like a site for a large native fair.

The Railway and Police Officers had managed things most creditably and everything passed off smoothly.

APPRECIATION OF POLICE WORK.

The following letter was addressed by Mr Dadabhai Naoroji to Mr. H. G. Gell, M. V. O., the Commissioner of Police, Bombay :—

Dear Sir,—As I am leaving for Calcutta, I embrace this opportunity to heartily congratulate and thank you on the very efficient way in which the police maintained order and discharged its onerous duties on the day of the occasion of my reception. I beg you to accept my very best thanks for your good self and to convey the same to the Police Officers who were detailed for duty on that day, specially Mr. Nolan, Mr. Jones, and Mr. Morris, on whom fell the brunt of the work. Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) DADABHAI NAOROJI.

At the Victoria Terminus Station, Mr. Dadabhai shook hands with Superintendent Nolan and thanked him and Inspectors Morris, Jones, and Bodley for the way in which they had discharged their duties.

Reception En Route.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BHUSAWAL, DECEMBER 23.

Mr. Dadabhoy Nowrojee's Special after leaving Bombay halted at Kalyan, where the Parsi, Hindi, and Mahomedan communities made presentations of flowers. The Parsi Dastur was present, also the Kazi at Igatpuri. There was a large crowd wishing God-speed and long life to Mr. Dadabhoy.

At Nasik, the whole city turned out and great enthusiasm prevailed. Mr. Dadabhoy was loaded with flowers.

At Manmad the enthusiasm was even greater, and the people from Manmad and Yeola read an address enclosed in a sandalwood casket. A band was also present. Mr. Dadabhoy thanked the people most cordially.

At Nandgaon large crowds of Hindus offered flowers and *attar*. The train was delayed everywhere by the crowds.

From Igatpuri Mr. Dadabhoy sent telegraphic thanks to Messrs. Gell and Muirhead for their excellent arrangements for his comfort

At Chalisgaon a large and enthusiastic crowd offered flowers and *attar*, but the rain which came down in torrents prevented greater demonstrations for which previous preparations were made. The train was again detained here. The platform was decorated with flags and buntings and an Address was presented by Parsis, Hindus and Mahomedans enclosed in a silver casket.

Flowers and trays full of fruits were presented to Mr. Dadabhoy at Jalgaon where again there was a large crowd in spite of the darkness of the night The Station platform was beautifully decorated.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NAGPUR, DECEMBER 23.

At Bhusawal Mr. Dadabhoy Nowroji dined in his carriage very hurriedly to please the crowd who were assembled there with flowers and *attar*. The Dastur represented the Parsis. The train started half an hour late. At Bodiwad there were a few persons present ; at Malkapur the platform was fully crowded, thus allowing Mr. Dadabhoy no sleep ; at Shegaon a large number of Hindus and more of Mahomedans came to the platform with native music and presented an address. At Akola special arrangements were made but Mr. Dadabhoy could not get down and the Mahajani as leader presented flowers with good wishes in the carriage. At Pulgaon again there was a very large gathering, the station was well lighted and fireworks were let off abundantly.

The train arrived half an hour late at Nagpur station. The Zartesht Anjuman of Nagpur and Kamtee presented a long address read by the Parsi priest of the station enclosed in a beautiful silver casket. Mr. Dadabhoy briefly thanked the deputation. Tea was then served, and floral offerings came in showers and the station platform was literally crowded with all sorts of people.

RECEPTION AT HOWRAH STATION.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 23.

Intimation has been received that Mr. Dadabhoy will arrive at Calcutta at 8 a. m. on the 24th instant. A deputation consisting of Messrs. Gokhale, Chaudhury and A. Rasid will receive Mr. Dadabhoy at Andheri, while at Howrah the most prominent of the Indian community headed by the Rajah of Darbhanga and Dr. Rasbirbari Gose will be present.

VICEROY'S TRIP TO BARRACKPORE.

Successful Social Function at Government House.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The Viceregal Party go for the week end to Barrackpore to-morrow.

There was a large crowd at Lady Minto's "At Home" to-night. Dancing was kept up from 9-30 to midnight.

To avoid causing any inconvenience to visitors to the Barrackpore Park, notice has been given that the road through the private gardens of Barrackpore House will be closed on the days on which the Viceroy is in residence there.

There is, of course, no intention whatever of closing the Park.

PUNJAB UNIVERSITY CONVOCATION.

Sir Charles Rivaz's Address.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DECEMBER 22.

At the Convocation of the Punjab University the Degree of Doctor of Literature was conferred *honoris causa* on the retiring Chancellor Sir Charles Rivaz who, in acknowledging the distinction, took the opportunity to review the period of his Chancellorship. He said :—"The past five years constitute a very important epoch for our University. It has been a period of great activity in all educational matters—a period in which all the educational institutions throughout India, from the Village Schools to the Universities have been subjected to close examination and thorough overhauling. For the Universities, the chief result of all this stir has been the passing of the Universities Act of 1904, and the action taken under the Act.

I notice that my predecessor Sir Mackworth Young remarked in his farewell Convocation Address that our University, in common with other Universities in India, was about to be subjected to a scrutiny which would find out the weak joints in its harness. Well the scrutiny has been made, and I think I may say confidently that we have emerged from it satisfactorily. The Universities Act has not injuriously affected the prestige or the authority of our Universities. On the contrary it has had the effect of giving it a more compact and representative and consequently more efficient Senate and Syndicate. These governing bodies of the University have already dealt vigorously and effectively with several matters of much importance. For instance, a new body of Regulations as required by the Universities Act has been prepared and sanctioned, and the subject of the affiliation of Colleges, a matter to which Sir Mackworth Young alluded in his same farewell Address as demanding urgent attention, has been placed on a satisfactory footing.

The extension of boarding houses in connection with our various educational institutions, another need mentioned by Sir Mackworth Young, has made good progress, and in this respect the Punjab need not fear comparison with what has been done in any other province. And as regards the material wants of our University I congratulate myself that this fine and spacious hall in which we are assembled to-day has been built as the property of the University during the period of my Chancellorship, and I hope that the entire project of which this hall forms part will soon be taken in hand, and that suitable accommodation will be provided for the University's own two institutions, the Law and Oriental Colleges. I do not think that I am unduly optimistic in expressing my conviction that the Punjab University, under the guidance of its reformed governing body—a body which I am confident will discharge its highly responsible duties not only with zeal and energy but also with tactful discretion,—has entered upon a renewed career of enhanced activity and usefulness, and that its influence will be more and more beneficially exerted in promoting the development and progress of education in this province on sound and suitable lines."

Sir Charles on Racial Differences.

In the course of his Convocation Address to the Punjab University Sir Charles referred to the political unrest in India and said :—The present time in India is characterized by a spirit of what may be called political activity among the educated classes ; by yearnings on their part for the creation of a feeling of nationality throughout the varied regions and diverse people which constitute and inhabit this vast continent, and by a desire to take an increased share in the administration of the Indian Empire. Well, these aims and aspirations, which mainly owe their origin to the system of education which the British Government has deliberately introduced, are perfectly legitimate and reasonable, and those who are responsible for the good Government of this Empire can fully sympathize with them if they are pursued in a proper spirit. At the same time it must be remembered that those who, as I have just said, are responsible for the Government of this country have to consider not only the natural aspirations of the educated classes but also the voiceless millions whose welfare and interests they hold in sacred trust, and that consequently they are bound to proceed with deliberate caution in making any material changes in a system of administration which, whatever its detractors may assert to the contrary, is undoubtedly, all impartial judges must admit, gratefully accepted and appreciated by the vast majority of the people of this land as giving them a larger measure of peace, security and material prosperity than India has experienced for generations past. And indeed, when I see around me to-day among the Fellows of this University Indian gentlemen who are holding such important official positions as Chief Court, Divisional and District Judgeships, the Executive headship of Districts and Settlements and other highly responsible appointments—men with whom I am proud to have been connected in the administration of this province, it seems to me that it can hardly be denied that a very considerable step has already been taken towards the association of Indians with Englishmen in the highest ranks of the Public Service.

I have been led to make these remarks because, probably and very naturally and properly several of you young graduates will in due course take an interest and devote a part of your time and attention to the public affairs of your country. To those of you who may elect to do so, I offer my earnest advice to follow the lead of those of your fellow-countrymen and I believe that happily they largely preponderate, who in seeking to further their political objects are actuated by a spirit of rectitude, moderation and honourable fairness and to avoid the misguided example of those who foolishly think or pretend to think that their aims will be attained by losing no opportunity of maliciously and falsely misrepresenting and vilifying everything connected with the British Administration of this country and of exciting what all who have the interests of India truly at heart cannot but regard as one of the most calamitous of evils that can befall it, namely the spread of social ill-feeling and strife between Indians and Englishmen.

ASSAULT ON A EUROPEAN.

The Native Assailants Acquitted.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, DECEMBER 23.

The case in which a European charges several natives with riotous assault with *lathies* at the Grand Hotel near the Kashmire Gate on the 30th ultimo was concluded yesterday.

There is another Grand Hotel adjacent to the station Club in the Civil Lines, the proprietor of which is the same.

In the Judgment delivered to-day the assault is proved, the Magistrate and Municipal Secretary Mr Addison, I. C. S., holding that the same was committed by servants of the Hotel.

The defence admitted such assault and passed unquestioned the medical evidence of injuries sustained by the complainant. The assault was witnessed at some short distance away by two persons only, one of them being a boy, and there were differences elicited from these witnesses in cross-examination.

The chief witness for the prosecution was the complainant whose evidence in cross-examination was unshaken and he identified the remaining three accused as ring leaders. His evidence is partly corroborated by witnesses for the defence saving as to the identity of the assailants. An *alibi* was pleaded in the case of each of the accused and a conviction could not be secured for want of sufficient witnesses. As to point of law in not as to convicting on the evidence of one European is insufficiently supported. The Magistrate has given the remaining accused three natives the benefit of the doubt as to identity and acquitting them. hence the assault has been committed with impunity.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.

STATE OF LONG TOM.

WE have received, from what we believe to be a thoroughly well informed source at Calcutta, the following brief telegram :—

"Long Tom gone wrong."

This practically means that the race is left between Fitzgrafton and Mallard.

Calcutta Opinion.

The *Indian Field*, writes as follows regarding the racing on Saturday the 15th instant :—Last Saturday's racing in Calcutta had very little effect on the betting market, beyond improving the position of Saloon, whom some apparently fancy even for the Viceroy's Cup. Fitzgrafton remains favourite on the strength of his work on the track, where he is the best observed horse that leaves the rubbing-down sheds, and Mallard's defeat last Saturday has decreased the number of those who believe him to be the better of Mr. Apcar's pair. This horse has always been a slow beginner, but he surely beat all the previous performances in this respect last Saturday. Beyond the six-furlong post, he still lay absolutely last, and was in consequence greatly delayed in threading his way through the field, far ahead of which Saloon was gaily careering to victory. In the Cup, very different tactics may be expected, and a different result. His public gallop must have brought him on considerably, and at the time of writing it is impossible to desert such a courageous and proven stayer as Mallard in favour of a new comer like Fitzgrafton, grand mover though he has shown himself to be on the training track. On the other hand, the deposit of stable-money is a very convincing argument, and if Fitzgrafton is selected by his own connections on the day of the big race, few will venture to back their second string. At the present stage, however, Mallard seems to offer the better investment.

Dealing next with the outsiders, both Sacristan and Saloon have been backed. The latter will be asked to do something much bigger than he has ever tackled hitherto, and at the difference in the weights will have all his work cut out to beat Mr. Dartmoor's chestnut without considering the big striding favourites, Long Tom, Fitzgrafton, and Mallard. All may go well with the smaller fry until the final turn for home, but how often have we not seen the field telescope at the Zeerut bridge opening to let through the horses, whose class and staying power will not be denied. Munderah, whose chance was a great one, has disappeared from the list. Cherson gave so disappointing a display last Saturday that he can scarcely be considered except as a possible place-filler, and The Master's recent performances seem to place him in the same category.

Amplify also figures in the recent lists and is undoubtedly a grand mare, but she has not yet shown her capacity to run the full Cup distance, and at the present stage can only be warmly recommended to the attention of backers. As in the case of Watson's pair, the stake of the betting will, on the day of the race, indicate the stable opinion as to the relative capabilities of this mare and Saloon, and he is a brave man who disregards the settled opinion of any well-managed stable. One horse—perhaps the best of all—does not figure in the list at all. On Steinhager's English form, he ought to be right in the middle of the final tussle in the straight, but the intentions and expectations of his connections have been carefully veiled. The horse does not look cherry ripe, it is true, and the general opinion as to his unpreparedness is probably tolerably accurate, but the cautious tipster cannot forget that in Pringle's stable stands a sound healthy young horse, who may very well be able to come out and run rings round all the present favourites for the Viceroy's Cup. What is going to beat this Irishman if he shows his English form ? But without attempting to answer this question, it is perhaps best to rely on the improbability of a freshly landed horse defeating a good-class field such as we are promised this Christmas. The detractors of Long Tom have never ceased their cries since his arrival from Bangalore. "No work, no gallops, no clockings" they say ; how is it possible that this big horse will be ready to race on Wednesday next ? But Ferguson brought him to Calcutta much further forward than he was last year, and to-day he seems to have none of that gross appearance which was remarked by the critics shortly before his surprising victory. Moreover, it is remarkable that those shrewd judges, the bookmakers, decline to loosen his price and stand waiting grimly for the rush of backers who will pour in next Saturday afternoon if the old horse stands his preliminary gallop in the Trials without mishap. This, we believe, he will do, but we have to take the risk of a breakdown when selecting him at this stage to enhance our prophetic reputation. Long Tom, Mallard, and Fitzgrafton should finish in that order, unless Steinhager finds his English form, in which case he should beat the lot.

MAHARAJA OF MYSORE AT SECUNDERABAD.

En Route to Calcutta.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, DECEMBER 23.

A huge crowd of native citizens assembled at Secunderabad Station this afternoon to greet His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore whose Special Train was passing through to Calcutta. Very little notice was given that owing to breeches on the North-East line of Madras Railway, His Highness' Special had perforce to take the Nizam's Railway route, yet the principal native citizens contrived to make preparations at the Station in time, and His Highness alighting from the train was met by Messrs. B. Krishna Iyengar and Krishnamachari, two local Pleaders. After conversing for a few minutes His Highness was garlanded and, amidst ringing cheers and salutes fired by the Nizam's Artillery, re-entered his saloon train starting immediately for Bezwada. Rai Bahadar Ram Gopal with his usual energy succeeded admirably in lavishly decorating the Station in a few hours.

The Suite of His Highness comprised Mr. J. J. Whiteley, C. I. E., Private Secretary, and Mrs. Whiteley, Major Drake-Brockman, I. M. S. and Mr. R. J. W. Heale, Tutor, and Mr. Raghavendra Rao, Assistant Secretary. Mr. Claudius of the Nizam's Railway proceeded to Bezwada in charge of the train.

THE INDIA COUNCIL.

Mr. Theodore Morrison's Appointment.

THE "PIONEER'S" COMMENTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, DECEMBER 22.

The *Pioneer* says that it will be a great surprise to many people in India to hear that the supply of persons at Home with a large knowledge of India and its needs is so short as to make the appointment of Mr. Theodore Morrison to a seat on the India Council necessary.

This gentleman was a Professor at Aligarh and ultimately Principal. He is an excellent teacher and a most popular person, but he is not very old, and, if conclusions may be drawn from the scheme of the experimental Government which he recently placed before a London audience, not very sound in his judgment on public affairs. The India Council has been described as a convenient means of enhancing the income of a few amiable persons, and no doubt it serves that purpose occasionally, although it certainly ought to be a powerful help to the Secretary of State for India and a check upon his actions. The latest appointment is one about which the most pertinent observation is that congratulations should be addressed exclusively to Mr. Theodore Morrison.

MR. THEODORE MORRISON.

The "Empire's" Views on the Appointment.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The *Empire* says :—"The appointment of Mr. Theodore Morrison to the India Council in succession to the Hon'ble Mr. Finlay is a most revolutionary one, which is especially surprising, coming, as it does, from a high and dry Conservative like Mr. John Morley. Mr. Morrison is a mere teacher —a terrible thing to begin with, but he also opposed the Government of India both and nail in the Viceroy's Council three years ago when the official Tenets Bill was passed. Can these facts have been brought to Mr. Morley's notice ? Mr. Morrison will make things hum on the India Council."

THE NEW BANDMANN CO.

A Mixed Evening at the Gaiety.

The millenium of theatrical enterprise in Bombay has commenced. We shall see how long it lasts. But at any rate for some time to come, until the experiment has been put to the test, a round of entertainments will be kept going which will bring Bombay theatrically as near London as Edinburgh. The days when young Bombayites spent their first year sighing for the girls they'd left behind them are o'er. Now they will be sighing for the girls who wont stop behind—the Bandmann girls. We wish Mr. Maurice Bandmann a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year for his determination to keep us going in evening divertissements, and may good health and popular favour be the possession of every member of the Company which on Saturday night began the Bandmann continuous round of entertainments.

Of "the Dairy Maids," as a musical opera the least said the better. It is the worst piece of its kind ever staged. It does not afford any single member of the Company (except, of course, the comic man) an opportunity to show his merit; the songs are spiritless and the libretto is wretched; and but for the antics of the clever successor of the inimitable Cole the audience would probably not have stayed beyond the entracte. It would therefore not be in the least fair to judge the individual artistes by the show they made on Saturday night. There were many droll moments which were unintentional, and incidental to the staging of a comic opera by a heterogeneous company six thousand miles from London the night after they landed. The scenery had to be held up by the chorus; stray milk pails and milking stools and other "props" tripped up the fleeing lovers in their wild flight from the stage; the lime light fastened itself on the proscenium instead of the players; the band was out of tune; the singers didn't know their words; there was a half-hour wait between the two acts, and at two minutes past one, when we left the theatre yesterday morning, the play was still going strong.

But for a' that an' a' that there is much to be said for the New Bandmann Company, which, when it has settled down to the new conditions, will work very harmoniously. The Company has possibilities of great combination. Mr. Bandmann has brought a lot of new scenery new dresses, new pieces, new faces—a company well-equipped with their own sweet singers, and their own mirth-provoking funny men. Happily, however, there are a few old faces—but no, not old! for such faces as those of Georgie Corlass and Doreen O'Connor never get beyond twenty,—before the footlights. Miss Corlass had a tremendous reception; Miss O'Connor, whom we have not known so long also had a very cordial one. They neither of them had a part worth playing, but Miss Corlass displayed her remarkable versatility in a song "Oh, why do they groomble!" being a maid of all work in the academy of Miss Pyechase, One of the new songstresses is Miss Constance Lait who as an ingenuous school girl with a pigtail, sang a pretty ditty, "White Rose" in a sweet soprano voice. Another very charming lass is Miss Poppy Poole, a lady with a very bewitching smile. There is a "fine lady" in the piece—Lady Brudenell, quite well played by Miss Beatrice Park, save for her habit of walking irrascibly backwards and forwards across the stage during a conversation which was in no way inspiring—an action which is all right in its place, but which can be easily overdone. "Dr. O'Byrne," a merry Irish ship's doctor, played by Mr. Fred Ellis, was excellent. The laughter-maker of the piece was the Doctor's servant, "Joe Mivvens" played by Mr. Johnny Osborne—a name, by the way, which in time will become nearly as familiar as that of Harry Cole, who in days of yore made our sides ache as never they ached before. His successor, Johnny Osborne, has the knack of hilarity, but he is not of the colossal proportions and grotesque figure of Cole, whose mere appearance upon the stage at once put his audience in a good humour. Johnny Osborne is nevertheless, a very clever fellow. He will be a fine tonic for thousands of liverish Anglo-Indians in the new year.

FOREIGN PRESS TELEGRAMS.

Reduced Rates from the New Year.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

From the 1st January 1907 the following alterations in the rules for Foreign Press telegrams will be made:—Stock exchange and market quotations will be admitted in press telegrams at reduced rates. Telegraph offices of origin shall in cases of doubt, assure themselves in communication with the sender who is bound to give proof that groups of figures, appearing in the telegrams, really represent exchange quotation. Multiple foreign press telegrams, if addressed to the same town, will be accepted, the charge to be collected for copies to be delivered by the office of destination being same as that for ordinary private telegrams, viz., five annas for 100 words or fraction thereof for each address after the first.

These revised rules are in accordance with those to be introduced from the same date by other telegraph administrations concerned

THE MARQUARDT CONCERT.

There was a very appreciative audience at the Town Hall on Friday night, when Herr Johann and Madame Alexandra Marquardt, assisted by Madame de l'Orme, the noted vocalist, treated the Bombay music-loving public to a very choice repertoire, the programme of which has already appeared in this paper. The violin and harp execution of the "Babbling Brook" by Sauret, and the "Lullaby" by Oberthur was perfect and convinced the audience of the be witching mastery of Paganini's instrument by Herr Marquardt, and the harp by Madame Marquardt. The willingness with which all the artistes responded to the encores of the house was fully appreciated, and it is a pity a further concert cannot be given.

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SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY SECOND EXTRA MEETING.

With sufficient entries for 1. 2. 3. betting in a but two events, there was an excellent day's racing at Mahaluxmi for the second meet of the season. There was also more than a fair attendance and punters may be said to have again beaten the books, though not in the same measure as on the previous occasion, and the events, as a whole, provided better racing. The day saw its disappointments and some close finishes which were a distinct improvement on the one-horse races of the inaugural meet. Mr. Cawford, M. R. C. V. S., looke none the worse for a most unpleasant time at Kasauli. We were provided with an exciting incident in the first race, the Losers' Plate, for which a very poor lot went out. On his last performance Gancho was immediately installed a very warm favourite with Angler and Shabib for places, both of these justifying their support. Bourbon and Angler made all the running and the former gave place to Shabib in the run in. Here Gancho made his effort which landed him into third place followed by Adham, but opposite the Grand Stand it was evident the favourite could not win. When here, some say Gancho crossed his legs which one can scarcely credit, at all events he stumbled and fell. He rolled right over and it was fortunate for Ames he fell clear and avoided what would have been a very serious accident. Adham just avoided them and in suddenly swerving displaced Robertson, some say, he slipped off on seeing an accident to be imminent. Beyond having to stand down for a couple of races and grazing his face nastily as well as receiving a hard blow on the thigh on falling, Ames was fortunate to get off cheap, and Robertson was none the worse. The race itself was won very comfortably by Adham

Four races later Ames was again seen in the saddle and I think it was unwise as after his fall, he could not have been expected to fight out a hard finish. As it happens he did have to in the Holiday Plate on Vedas who went out odds on and as usual, made all his own running. Sherali ran second to the bend when Williams sat so still that he appeared to be going well within himself but it was soon evident he was done with. It was also evident that Ames had to shake the favourite up to keep in front of mudlowl who gradually closed. A tremendous race was seen between the two all the way from the bend to the post and another fine bit of riding by Heeroo landed his mount a winner by a short neck Antica led the rest who were quite tailed off by the leaders.

Reverting back to the second race, the Selling Plate, several were disappointed by seeing Talisman scratched and in his absence Court Martial was installed favourite a point shorter than Lomond. At the bend the latter held a nice position going well, and the favourite was looked for in vain till Kamad suddenly came through and had the race in safe keeping, the finish being a straggly one.

Following came another leg up for punters who soon showed they realised the pull Precious had in the terms. How they could fancy Dublin after what we saw in Poona is past believing. Royal early settled down with the lead and went away at a great pace leading his field by four lengths by the three furlongs. Here Precious displaced Dublin and got on terms with Royal who had by now shot his bolt. Dublin came again well on entering the straight and the way Kamad rode him enabled him to finish an easy second instead of being done with after going half a mile. Williams had Precious very hard held and the game grey's win with ears pricked was as popular as ever. Young Kohinoor finished surprisingly well and beat Royal for place money.

One feels one cannot say too much about the fine black pony Mr. R. R S. possesses. There was such a strong call on Come Back at the finish that she went out a solid favourite at evens with Balayeuse finding plenty of support from the right quarter. Some of the 'clever' brigade got a nasty shock when they backed Porco to evens and then when money came for her stable companion, saw her go to fours. Vocalist made the pace for a time but soon subsided and gave way to Comeback whom Heeroo took clear ahead and, never looking like being caught, won in the same ready manner as he cleared the double on the previous occasion. Baritone ran much straighter than is his custom and keeping moderately near the proper rails staved off a late challenge by Porco. This well-bred mare should, before long, bear out the opinion held about her as she might have been very much nearer with a good lad up. The Books were up at the end of the way and I am told it was over this race.

Good thing as Bay Middleton was at the first meeting, he was much more so on this occasion in the Small Arab Plate over his best distance. Had some of those who scratched known the race would develop into a match, I daresay there way have been a call on the Rs. 100 for third place. Hermit was the only other that started and he found some of the money though Bay Middleton went out at 4 to 1 on. The favourite jumping out in front from his position on the rails soon held a clear lead of four lengths and eventually won with Ames looking back in the fine time of 1 min. 7secs. which does not speak so badly for Hermit.

Details of the racing are as follow:—

The Losers' Plate.—Winner, Rs 1200; second Rs 100, third Rs 50. For Arab Ponies 13-3 and under which have not won flat race, value Rs 150 or over. 13-3 to carry 8st 12lbs; W I. Distance.—1/2 mile.

Mr. S. A. Wahed's b a h Angler, 8st 9lbs..Comerkban 1
Mr. Khalaf bin Saif's g a h Thabbib 8st 6lbs...Kamad 2
Mr. Mujeed bin Jurji's b a h Breechloader 8st 12lbs A Williams 3
Mr Ali bin Talib's g a h Dhaman, 8st 12lbs C B Mahomed 4

Also Ran:—Bourbon 8st 12lbs, Councillor 8st 12lbs, Adham 8st 9lbs, Gancho 8st 6lbs, Koolaib 8st, Nagashi 8st, Faugh-a-Ballagh 8st.

(Winner trained by Abmed Elia Bux.)

Betting:—5 to 4 against Gancho, 5 to 1 Angler and Shabib, 10 to Breechloader, longer odds the rest.

The Race:—From a level start Bourbon got off slightly in front of Angler, Dhaman handy. They raced in this order to the bend where the field closed up and Angler took the lead, Shabib coming up with Dhaman. Angler was going well and going a head eventually won comfortably by a length and three quarters. Opposite the Stand Gancho came down with Ames and Adham swerving displaced his rider. Breachloader coming late beat Dhaman for third place, half a length behind Shabib. Time:—55 secs.

Selling Plate:—Winner Rs. 200; second Rs. 100; third Rs. 50. For Arabs. Arabs: entered for Rs. 1,500 to carry 10st 8lbs, for each Rs. 100 down to Rs. 400. Allowances: Horses not won race value Rs. 1,500 or over, 5lbs. Ponies 14 hands and under 6lbs. Distance 5 furlongs.

Mr Wahid's ch a h Court Martrial 7st 4lbs.....Kamad 1
Mr Morison's g a h Lomond 8st 8lbs.....Bond 2
Mr Yoosh Abdool Noor's ch a h Retreat 8st.....Fisher 3
Mr A K Hajee's b a h Ormonde 7st 4lbs.....Abdulla 4

Also ran:—Darin 7st 7lbs.

(Winner trained by Shaik Kassum.)

Betting:—7 to 4 on Court Martial, 6 to 4 against Lomond, 8 to 1 Retreat. Tens and longer odds the rest.

The Race:—Darin and then Retreat made the running the latter dropping out at the bend. Here Lomond came up to the leader and led into the straight but Court martial coming through, well held, won comfortably by three lengths. Retreat kept on gamely and finished three quarters of a length behind Lomond.—Time:—1 min 9 secs.

In the auction the winner was bought in for Rs 1,000 and Colonel Forbes bought Retreat for Rs 1,100.

The Christmas Plate.—Winner Rs. 500; second, Rs 200; third, Rs 100. For Arabs. W. A. raised 7lbs. Allowances.—Horses which have not won since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs. 1,800 or over, 7lbs; Rs 1,200 or over, 14lbs; Rs 500 or over, 21lbs; Rs 150 or over 28lbs. (not accumulative). Ponies 14 hands and under 5lbs. Distance.—7 furlongs.

Mr R R S.'s g a h Precious 9-3.....F. Williams 1
Mr Vard's ch a h Dublin 7 13.....Kamad 2
Mr A M Ameer's g a h Young Kohinoor 7-12...Native 3
Messrs M. Goculdass and A Nanjee's ch a h Royal 7-13 ed 8 0.....Fisher 4

Also Ran.—Rummah 8-10, King Colweb 8-5, Hadhur 8-3, Forath 8-3.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

Betting:—5 to 2 on Prious, 2 to 1 against Dublin, 8 to 1 Royal, 10 to 8 Hadhur, twenties the rest.

The Race:—Dublin jumped out with the lead followed by Royal who displaced him after half a furlong, with Precious last, and took a commanding lead of three lengths at the half mile. Precious gradually crept up and passing Dublin just after the half mile, reached the lead in the lead. From here he come away very easy and won cantering by three lengths. Dublin passed Royal at the bend as did Young Kohinoor at the finish and finished a length behind Dublin. Time:—1 min. 36 secs.

The Winter Plate.—Winner, Rs 500; second, Rs 200; third, Rs 100. For horses which have not won flat race value Rs 1,500 or over since 31st March, 1904, W A & C reduced 10lbs. Penalties,—Winners, since 31st March, 1906, race value Rs 500 or over: once 5lbs twice, 10lbs; thrice, 14lbs; ottener, 18lbs. Allowances.—Horses which have not won race value Rs 100 or over, 7lbs. Horses landed since 1st September, 1906, 5lbs in addition to landing allowance in General Conditions. Ponies 14.2 and under, 7lbs. Distance.—5 furlongs.

Mr R R S b a m s g Comshack 7st 11lbs.....Heeroo 1
Mr F Mam's bl a m s g Baritone 8st 4lbs .....Fisher 2
Mr. R R S' b a m Posco 7st 7lbs .....Native 3
Mr. Tulsidas Tejpal's br a m Adelaide 9st 4lbs .....Kamad 4

Also Ran.—Balayeuse 9st 11lbs, Vocalist 8st 8lbs Saidfoin 8st 4lbs, Bussley Maid 7st 11lbs.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji)

Betting:—Evens Comeback, 2 to 1 against Balayeuse, 4 to 1 Posco, 8 to 1 Vocalist, 10 to 1 Baritone and Saintfoin, Longer odds the rest.

The Race.—From a good start Vocalist jumped out a length in front of Baritone, and Comeback came into third place. At the half mile Comeback began to draw up and taking the lead at the three furlongs held a two length lead from Baritone at the bend. Vocalist falling away. Comeback came down the straight going very easy and comfortably staved off Baritone's challenge by two and a half lengths. Posco came very late and got within a length and a quarter of Baritone. Time:—1 min. 15secs.

The Holiday Plate.—Winner, Rs 200; second, Rs 100; third, Rs 50. For Arab Ponies 14 hands and under which have not won flat race value Rs 500 or over. 14 hands to carry 8st 12lbs; W. I. Penalties.—Winners since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs 150, or over: once, 4lbs; twice, 7lbs; thrice, 12lbs; ottener, 16lbs Distance.—5 furlongs.

Mr A K Readymoney's b a h Mudlool, 7st 12lbs .....Heeroo 1
Messrs M Goculdas and A Nanjee's ch a b Vedas 9st 4lbs .....Ames 2
Mr Pestonjee Framjee's g a h Antica 8st 6lbs...Native 3
Mr A Razak's br a h Osborne 8st 14lbs...Comerkban 4

Also Ran.—Shanwar 8st 9lbs. Sherali 8st 7lbs. Sorhid 8st 6lbs, Tigris 8st 4lbs, Settler 7st 13lbs, Shhab 7st 12lbs Namdar 8st 3lbs.

(Winner trained by Byramji Rustomji.)

Betting.—6 to 4 on Vedas, 5 to 2 against Sherali, 4 to 1 Tigris, 7 to 1 Mudlool, 8 to 1 Shanwar, 10 to 1 Osborne and Settler.

The Race:—It took some time to get them in line but they eventually got away to a good start, Sherali in front, till Vedas came up and went a clear three lengths ahead. Sherali followed him to the bend where he buckled in and left Mudlool to do the bunting. Ames had to get going on Vedas and a great finish insued in which Mudlool, getting a bit in front at the Stand, won by a neck. The rest were two and a half lengths behind and Antica just stayed Osborne out, Sherali next. Time:—1min 8 secs.

The Small Arab Plate.—Winner, Rs 500; second Rs 200; third, Rs 100. For Arabs 13-3 and under. 13-3 to carry 9st 12lbs; W I. Allowance.—Ponies which have not won since 31st March, 1904, race value Rs 1,800 or over 7lbs; Rs 1,200 or over, 14lbs Rs 500 or over, 21lbs; Rs 150 or over, 28lbs (not accumulative). Distance.—5 furlongs.

Messrs. Goculdas and A Nanjee's b a h Bay Middleton, 9st 12lbs .....Ames 1
Mr Kelso's b a h Hermit 9st 5lbs.....F Williams 2

(Winner trained by W A Fowler)

Betting:—4 to 1 on Bay Middleton, 3 to 1 against Hermit.

The Race.—Bay Middleton jumped out on the rails and gradually increasing his lead reached the bend four lengths in front. Ames never let him out and keeping an eye on Hermit all the way, won comfortably by two and a quarter lengths. Time 1min. 7secs.

CALCUTTA RACES.

Saloon the Country-Bred.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 23.

There was a fairly full attendance on the course on the opening day of the first Calcutta Meeting, though it was noticeable that the members' reserved enclosure was not so full as one would have expected. The Viceroy and Lady Eileen Elliot, Lord Kitchener, Sir Andrew and Lady Fraser, General and Lady Elliot were among the distinguished company present. Next to Cup Day, to-day is the biggest meeting of the year, the two principal events for decision being The Trials and Jump Race and The Burdwan Cup. The former, a very important event in itself is all the more so on account of the bearing it has on the Viceroy's Cup it elf which is decided on Wednesday next; the winner of The Trials almost invariably becomes the favourite for the Cup.

The big leap which Saloon has made in the betting for the Cup, during the last three weeks, is remarkable. All along there have been many of the cognoscents to run down Saloon, and after each win to say that he cannot win the next race he goes for; but each time he comes up smiling to the discomfiture of those who have failed to place sufficient reliance on him at the second meeting. He was considered very lucky to have beaten Sacristan II. by a head in the December Plate and the next week to have run in the Wellesley Plate, and there were many again who said he could not get the extra quarter-mile especially against such horses as Mallard. He however comes out and hampers Mallard considerably easier over the extra distance than he did Sagristan II at the shorter distance on the previous Saturday, winning easily by two lengths.

Now we come to The Trials, and Sacristan's admirers were confident that Saloon was lucky to win at the Second Extra Meeting, which made him favourite with Saloon next in demand, with Fitzgrafton also with many supporters. The great little country-bred again rises to occasion and this time never leaves the issue in doubt for a moment much to the discomfiture of all the best Australian and English horses in the land. This time he makes no mistake about it and never lets the favourite, Sacristan, get on terms with him at all, and lays him out with the substantial margin of three good lengths to his credit. Sacristan having once more to take second place. Now we have the task before us of putting to the test the heights to which horse breeding in India can be brought, and if Saloon does manage to carry off the blue ribbon of the Indian Turf on Wednesday, his name will be handed down to posterity as one of the greatest horses India has had to do with, or, at any rate, with the most remarkable of the Course. He gets his country-bred allowance of three stone from English and Australian cracks. However, up till now it has been more or less an accepted fact that however good and really well bred a country-bred can be, he could never hope to win the Viceroy's Cup even with eight concessions in weight. The Viceroy's Cup which was inaugurated as far back as 1866 has only been won by one country bred and this was by Meg Merriles who won it two years running in 1858 and 1859. On Wednesday we shall know whether Saloon's name can be added to the distinguished list of winners. Our own opinion however is that Fitzgrafton will take him down.

The Burdwan Cup.

We had a First Class day's racing-day with a very attractive card out for decision, the opening event being the Burdwan Cup which is the big weight-for-age Hurdles race of the year in India, and the runners in the Burdwan Cup were a very representative gathering, nearly all of them with performances of good account to their credit. Kipling was installed a warm favourite and fully justified the public confidence imposed in him by winning in commonest canter, none of the field being able to mate him in the gallop at the finish. His record last year was sufficiently brilliant to make him a certainty, provided he stood up. He was second in this race last year and would have won the grand annual, in a canter, had he not fallen at the second last hurdle. He then proceeded to win the Indian Grand National and finished up by annexing the Tally Ho Plate, carrying 11st. 22lbs. Thomond won the Burdwan Cup last year and Hurdle races at the second meeting.

To revert to happenings, grief in the Burdwan Cup was more than plentiful and it lost no time in asserting itself at the very first Hurdle. Santa Maria who has been jumping exceedingly badly in the two schools she has been sent to, ran down a Hurdle into Glynthus and fell, knocking him over, and though he landed safely, he could not clear himself of fall on Santa Maria, and came down too. It looked a nasty mix up, but luckily there was no serious dan age done to horses or men. This left seven in the race. Loch Lochie held forward his position throughout, but opposite the old Race Stand Kipling drew alongside of him at the second last Hurdle. Hoop Iron who went out very sore pitched and lost his rider. (A. Hoyt). The result of the race was rather tame as Kipling was pulling up by half a length from Loch Lochie who has improved wonderfully in the last fortnight. Thomond, last year's winner, was third, four lengths away, finishing a neck in front of Seclusion. The distance was evidently not far enough for Decoration who finished next.

The Maiden Pony Plate.

produced the poor field of five runners but served up a great finish between Plover the favourite and Matin Bell the latter just succeeding in getting home by a short head and two ongths in front of Flo.

The International Pony Plate

gave rather a better field with eight runners, three of these however being out from Scott's stable from which also hailed the winner, Lady Avon, who started as money on the favourite and beat Metalgia by half a length, the same distance separating both the next two ponies Minimus and Psalm. Next on card came the race of day.

The Trials.

Out of twelve horses left in, there were two absentees in Amplify and Clear Artist. All money was distributed between Saloon, Sacristan II, and Fitzgrafton the Cup favourite, any odds being procurable about the rest from tens to thirties. We have already touched on the race earlier in our account. The public gauged the form pretty correctly, the only disturbing feature being Mallard, Mr. Apcar's second string, who finished third, beating the elect of the stable by half a length. Saloon led all the way and won easily from Sacristan II by three lengths. We think we are right in saying that

The Ellenborough Plate

brought out the largest entry that has ever been known in Calcutta, as no less than forty horses were entered for this race and out of them twenty-one went to the post, which is the biggest field that has ever competed. It is a pity that, considering there were forty entries, the stewards refused to divide the race into two divisions as they did in the Monsoons, all the more so as there were only six races on the programme, so that it could have been easily managed. As it was, though we did have twenty one runners yet several more would have started especially among lower weights. A field of these dimensions affords an excellent opportunity for betting. This was exemplified by the magnificent dividends paid on two placed horses in the totalisator, Clyinder paying out the handsome dividend of Rs. 445 and Jack Sheppard Rs. 590. Dea was considered to have been dropped into the handicap at 8l but only succeeded in finishing fourth. Lipscombe who was unplaced was also patronised. The winner turned up in Deakin's Meadow Saffron who appears to be getting back to form once more.

The Paddock Plate.

In the last race Ballard succeeded in placing the second bracket to his name by winning the Paddock Plate by three quarters of a length from Bon Bon, Mother Goose finishing third. The starting favourite Lord Boyne who was third in the betting finished fourth.

We next meet on Wednesday which is Cup day. Of those entered, Signorina, Rosanula and Mundersh are already scratched; the latter has already been sent back to Mysore to the stud, having gone wrong. Long Tom pulled up very lame after his only gallop on Friday and is not likely to start. At the moment, our fancy for the Cup is Fitzgrafton, though Saloon is now favourite.

Burdwan Cup.

Marshall's Kipling 10st 6lbs.....Sheldrake 1
Doctor Spooner Hart's Loch Lochie 9st 4lbs 2
Fergusson, Wood and Badger's Thomond 10st 6lbs Morrison 3
Apcar's Seclusion 9st 9lbs .....Hoyt 4

Also ran:—Olynthus 10st 3lbs; Decoration 9st 4lbs; Hoop Iron 9st 10lbs; Saint Maria 9st 10lbs Fend F Emant 9st 7lbs fell.

Betting.—Evens Kipling 5 to 1 against Hoop Iron and Seclusion; 6 to 1 Thomond and Pennant; 10 to 1 Saint Maria; and 20 to 1 on the rest.

The Race.—Thomond and Loch Lochie in Company showed the way over the first hurdle at which Olynthus and Saint Maria came down. Then Loch Lochie settled down with the lead followed in order by Hoop Iron, Kipling and the rest in a bunch in the rear. At the last but one Hurdle Hoop Iron unslipped the rider and here Kipling came up to the leader and after a good race home Kipling won by half a length with four length between the second and third and a neck between the third and fourth. Time—3 min 27 1-5 secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 17 on the winner and Rs. 16 and Rs. 12 for places.

Maiden Pony Plate.

Maharajah of Cooch Behar's Matin Bell 8st 5lbs Southall 1
Thakur Sripalsingh's Plover 9st 4lbs 2
Evans and W B Green's Flo 9st.....Bradshaw 3
Scotts Wal 9st 10lbs .....Robinson 4

Also ran:—Vanity Fair 8st 5lbs.

Betting.—Evens Plover; 2 to 1 against Matin Bell and 3 to 1 Wal and 10 to 1 on the others.

The Race.—Plover got off with a lead closely followed by Matin Bell and Wal; then from the home turn Matin Bell drew up to Plower and the pair raced home side by side and just in the last stride Plower made a slight stumble and Matin Bell, won by a short head, with two lengths between the third and fourth.

Time.—5mins 4/5secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 41 on the winner and Rs. 15 and Rs. 13 for places.

International Pony Plate.

Scott and Marshall's Lady Avon 7st 12lbs ...Southal 1
Galstaun's Matalgia 9st 7lbs.....Robinson 2
Colonel Desaraj Urs' Minimus 9st 10lbs .....Evans 3
Bells Psalm 9st 3lbs .....Firth 4

Also ran:—Solance 9st 3lbs; Hazelnut 9st 3lbs and Duenlix 9st.

Betting:—4 to 6 on Lady Avon; 4 to 1 agains' Matalgia and Psalm; 12 to 1 Hazelnut; 15 to 1 Minimus and 20 to 1 others.

The Race—Lady Avon and Psalm in company forged the running from the start with Matalgia lying close in their wake. Then from the quarter mile Matalgia began to improve her position and getting abreast of Lady Avon, Matalgia drew out, the former holding a slight lead which she was able to keep to the end and after an exciting finish won by half a length with the same length between the third and fourth.—Time 1 31 secs. The Totalisator paid Rs. 15 on the winner; Rs. 12 for places.

The Trials.

Scott and Marshall's Saloon 6st 10lbs.....Melsom 1
Dartmoor's Sacristan II 9st 3lbs.....O'Brien 2
Apcar's Mallard 9st 3lbs.....Vining 3
Ditto's Fitzgrafton 9st .....Evans 4

Also ran:—Trencherman 9st 3lbs; Footprint 9st 3lbs; Prince Lyon 9st 3lbs Contest 9st 3lbs; The Master 9st and Steinhager 8st 7lbs.

Betting.—2 to 1 against Saloon; 5 to 2 Sacristan II; 3 to 1 Fitzgrafton; 8 to 1 Prince Lyon and Contest; 2 to 1 Mallard, The Master and Steinhager and 30 to 1 on the others.

The Race.—From a beautiful start they kept in a bunch for fifty yards, then Saloon showed out in front closely attended by Prince Lyon and Contest and Mallard living fourth and rest in a bunch at the latter's heels. Opposite the old Stand Saloon had increased his lead and there were gaps between the others named above till at the three furlongs Contest began to tire and soon after fell back. At a quarter miles Prince Lyon looked like going to challenge the leader, but he too shortly was slown and Mallard was left in the second place all at the home turn Sacristan passed him but could not improve on this position, and Saloon won by three lengths who two and half lengths between the second and third and half a length between the third and fourth. Time.—1min 41 2/5secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs, 35 on the winner and Rs. 17; Rs. 14 and Rs. 52, for places.

The Ellenborough Plate.

Deakins Meadow Saffron 8st 13lbs.....Southall 1
Dass Clynder 9st 9lbs.....Taylor 2
Walmoleg's Jack Sheppard 8st 8lbs.....Bullock 3

There was a dead heat for the second place.

Apcar's Dea 8st 11lbs.....Evans 4

Also ran Hady Metal 10st 11lbs; Dramatic 9st 10lbs; Plotsam 9st 7lbs; Heda 9st 5lbs; Cyril 9st 5lbs; Rostil 9st 5lbs; Bundok 9st 3lbs; Boquet 8st 7lbs; Lady Anna 8st 11lbs; Carnwal 8st 8lbs; Foy 8st 8lbs; Projecture 8st 3lbs; Lipscombe 8st 11lbs; Nirvana 7st 13lbs; White Heather 7st 8lbs; Palas 6st 9lbs; and Colina 6st; (carried 6st 11lbs.

Betting.—2 to against Dea; 3 to 1 Meadow Saffron; 4 to 1 Lady Metal; 6 to 1 Colina; and 15 to 20 on the others.

The Race.—Meadow Saffron at once showed out in front of this large field and led from Jack Sheppard, Clynder and Dea. The rest in a cluster were close up. Meadow Saffron kept the lead through, and increasing her lead in the straight won by two lengths from dead heats and one length between the third and fourth.

Time.—1min 16 1/5secs.

The Totalisator paid Rs. 40 on the winner; Rs. 18, Rs. 445 and Rs. 520 for places.

The Paddock Plate.

Appear's Ballark 9st 12lbs .....Evans 1
D, B, Myer's Bon Bon 8st 11b.....Bradshaw 2
Wood and Badger's Mother Goose 1st 7lbs.....Bray 3
Kour Sahib of Patiala's Lord Boyne 8st.....Southall 4

Also ran Nightingale 9st; Squire Alfred 8st 9lbs; Riverside 8st 8lbs; Bundook 8st 5lbs (carried 8st 6lbs); Applause 8st 4lbs; Trenayr 8st 2lbs; Mount Dane 8st 2lbs; Massachusetts 7st 8lbs; and Gold Stamp 7st 5lbs (carried 7st 11b.)

Betting—3 to 1 against each Ballark and Mother Goose; 4 to 1, Lord Boyne; 6 to 1 Massachusetts; 8 to 1 Bon Bon and Bundook and 10 to 20, on the others.

The Race.—They raced level for the furlong, then Gold Stamp attended by Mount Dane and Trenayr showed in front and the breeze was improving. Eileen had the best chance but threw it away on the run from the beacon, her crew being still without sufficient energy to tackle her spinnaker, and she failed to maintain her advantage over Sapphire. The latter sailed as usual for all she was worth and meeting no obstructions below water beat Eileen at the finish by the narrow margin of thirty-two seconds for which Eileen's crew have only themselves to thank. Eileen saved her entrance fee, which was possibly what she was trying to do.

There were four starters for the B Class race. Sayonara was first over the line, Pixie and Trixie being close up and Erin some way behind.

Sayonara went very well on the reach and run and had a good lead of the bigger boats at North Karanja Buoy which she kept for a great part of the way to the Schooner. Rounding the Schooner, Trixie had a minute in hand from Pixie while the latter was three seconds a head of Sayonara, the latter being well within her time.

Going round the small course the interval between Trixie and Pixie was maintained with mathematical exactitude and both dropped Sayonara a little. Sayonara however was a long way inside her time and won easily with Trixie second. Trixie has been sailing in much improved form this season.

There were seven starters for the small boat race. Coralie was first over the line close to the schooner while Lapwing was nearly level with her in solitary state at the extreme end of the line.

Running down to North Karanja, Tomtit got the lead and rounded first with Lapwing close behind having scored over the rest in her lee berth.

It was a little awkward rounding, as the boats first round came directly into the course of those still running down and the former had right of way. Midget had not calculated for this and her skipper found himself cut off from the buoy, first by Lapwing, then by Meg. He could not get his centre board down in time to execute the necessary manœuvres and got fearfully mixed up with everything, finally fouling the buoy and retiring. At the same time, he showed considerable smartness in keeping clear of the other boats. On the close haul to the Schooner, Tomtit, Lapwing, and Meg were sailing a close race and keeping their respective positions. Nearing Middle Ground a large B. I. steamer crossed them. Tomtit and Lapwing were not looking out and never saw it till too late. Tomtit nearly got across her bows for which the steamer must have thanked her as she had to go astern to avoid cutting her down, but had to go about and got well under the steamers lee. Lapwing fortunately had just room to luff and clear the steamers stern. Meg's skipper had as usual been keeping his weather eye lifting and took full advantage of the other's mistake, getting upon Lapwing's weather while both got past the unfortunate Tomtit. Meg passed Lapwing before getting to the Schooner and started round the small course with a few seconds lead.

On the small course Lapwing did badly and Tomtit got passed her again but could not catch Meg.

All the time the rest of the boats had been keeping close on the heels of the leaders and were all well within their time. Maud and Coralie had been sailing a close race all through, Coralie having a few seconds lead from Maud round the Schooner the first time. Maud got past her on the small course but could not save her time on her of Jean. The latter had been sailing well all day and was always inside her time of everything except Coralie.

Coralie won the first handicap prize with Jean a very close second, Maud saving her entrance fee. Meg took the class prize.

A Class Handicap Race—sailed at 3-30 p.m. on Saturday.

Names of Boats.	Time Allos.	Entered by	Start at	Time of Arrival.	Corrected Time.
	M. S.		H. M.	H. M. S.	H. M. S.
Sapphire ..	10 0	Mr R H H Hopkins	3 30	5 11 13	1 41 13
Bloom.....	Scr	Mr N N Wadia	3 30	5 14 7	1 43 47
Turquoise...	11 30	Mr F J Preston	3 30	5 16 20	1 45 50
Melody.....	14 0	Mr J B K Macbeth	3 30	5 17 36	1 47 36

Course—Special—107 miles—1st Prize won by Sapphire; Eileen saves entrance Fee. Wind N.-W.—Strength Moderate—Time limit—5-15 p.m.

B Class Handicap Race—Sailed at 3-45 p.m. on Saturday.

Names of Boats.	Time Allows.	Entered by	Start at	Time of Arrival.	Corrected Time.
	M. S.		H. M.	H. M. S.	H. M. S
Pixie	Scr	Mr J E Aspinwall	3 45	5 15 4	1 30 4
Trixie ...	Scr	Mr R E Moutesth	3 45	5 14 4	1 29 4
Sayonara	8 30	Capt Rifkwn and	3 45	5 13 29	1 22 59
Erin	Scr	Mr A L Whitsell Mr R H Ireland	3 45	5 18 42	1 33 42

Course—Special—7½ miles.—1st Prize won by Sayonara; Trixie saves entrance Fee. Wind N.-W.—Strength moderate. Time limit—5-15 p.m.

Tomtit Class and Small Boat Handicap Race—Sailed at 4 p.m.

Names of Boats.	Time Allows.	Entered by	Start of	Time of Arrival.	Corrected Time.
	M. S.		H. M.	H. M. S.	H. M. S.
Meg.....	Scr	Mr C H Byrne	4 0 0	5 27 41	1 23 41
Lapwing..	1 30	Capt Gillespie, R E	4 0 0	5 25 30	1 21 0
Maud.....	6 30	Officers, R E	4 0 0	5 26 11	1 19 41
Midget ..	10 0	Officers, R A	4 0 0	Did not finish	
Jean	15 0	Mr A C H MacLean	4 0 0	5 31 15	1 18 15
Coralie...	8 0	Capt. J N Wilson	4 0 0	5 27 9	1 18 9
Tomtit ...	Scr	Mr L O Brooks	4 0 0	5 24 53	1 24 53

Course No. 11—Reversal, followed by Course No. 2—6 miles—1st Prize won by Coralie; 2nd Prize won by Jean. Maud saves entrance fee. Close Prize won by Meg. Wind N.-W.—Strength mod. rate Time limit—5-15 p.m.

CALCUTTA PAPER CHASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DECEMBER 22.

The opening meet of the Calcutta Paper Chases was held to day. The order in the two

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION RESULTS.

Matriculation Examination.

The result of the Matriculation Examination were announced on Saturday. The following candidates have passed the examination :—

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SUPPLEMENTARY LIST OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES.

489, 533, 806, 826, 859, 879, 966, 1441, 1458, 1610, 1640, 1756, 1772, 1812, 1859, 1886, 1887, 1909, 1931, 1968, 1976, 2143, 2179, 2229, 2254, 2271, 2415, 2512, 2778, 2962, 2993, 3094, 3076, 3886, 3347, 3589, 3677, 3710, 3742, 3767, 4036, 4055, 4074 and 3176.

PRIZES AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

Vishan Hari Nijsure obtains the first Jaggonnath Sankersheth Sanscrit Scholarship; Damodar Malhar Dharmadhikari obtains the second Jaggonnath Sankar shett Sanscrit Scholarship and the Dossabhoy Framji Scholarship, Cajetan Henry D'Souza obtains the Cowasji Jehangeer Latin Scholarship; Thomas D'Cunha half of an extra Cowasji Jehangheer Latin Scholarship, Solomon Jehirad obtains half of an extra Cow sji Jehangeer Latin Scholarship; Solomon Jehirad obtains half of an extra Cowasjee Jehangheer Latin Scholarship; Solomon Benjamin Hayeem obtains an extra David Sassoon Hebrew Scholarship; Raghavendra Appacharya Katti obtains the Ellis Prize; Dattatraya Vishvanath Lele obtains half of the Bai Manackbai Byramji Jeejeebhoy prize; Alikhan Umarkhan Abro obtains half of the Bai Manackbai Byramji Jeejeebhoy prize, the Joirajbhoy Peerbhoy Scholarship, and the Sir Dinshah Manekji Petit (First Baronet) Scholarship; Keshavji Hirji Contractor obtains the first Rao Sir Pragmalji Scholarship, and the Kutchee Dewan Bahadoor Manibhai prize; Hargovind Premji Shroff obtains the second Rao Sir Pragmalji Scholarship; Shaik Yawar Ali Aga obtains the Sir Frank Souter scholarship, Jairam Ramchandra Karnik obtains the Dewan Bahadur Laxman Jaggonnath Vaidya Scholarship, Violet Louise Baptista obtains the Lady Reay Medical scholarship; Keshavji Ramji Marchan obtains the Vallabhdas Valji scholarship, Abdul Nabi Bana Merchant obtains the R. M. Sayani Khoja Testimonial Scholarship; Mahomed Ishak Ahmedbhai Memon obtains the Lord Sandhurst Scholarship; Girdarlal Shamji Jasani obtains half of the Uttamram Memorial Scholarship: Vanichand Morarji Kathari obtains half of the Uttamram Memorial Scholarship; Nomanbhai Dawoodbhai Shipehandler obtains the Ebrahim Nurdin Scholarship; Krishnabai Narayen Khare obtains the Chatfield prize and the Miss Yamunabai Atmaram Dalvi Scholarship, Shvakshah Sorabji Banker obtains the Byramji Nasarwanji Koyaji Scholarship and silver medal; Devidas Gangadas Merchant obtains the Rajaram Govindram Scholarship; Sadiq Zainulabeddin Shah obtains the Dr. Ismail Janmahomed Scholarship.

L. M. AND S. EXAMINATION.

The results of L. M. and S. examination was announced on Saturday afternoon. Mr. Vinayak Balvant Gokhale gets the Charles Morehead Prize. Mr. Homi D. Kanga gets the Balkrishna Sudamji Prize. Miss Hirabai Ardeshir Contractor gets the Queen Empress silver medal, the scholarship of the Medical Women for India Fund of 1883, the Lady Reay silver medal, and the Bai Hirabai P. H. Cama gold medal. Mr. Dhanjishah Nasarvanji Bharucha gets the J. C. Lisboa gold medal. Mr. Dinshah Darashah Baria gets the Lord Saudhurst gold medal.

The following are the successful candidates :—

SECOND DIVISION,

Abhyankar, G Rameshandra
Bahadurji, T Jamsetji
Baria, D Darasha
Collasco, J Alfino
Cooper, D Dinshah
Dalal, P Ardeshir
Damkevala, F Jivaji
DeMiranda, I Manoel
Desai, F Cursetji
Desai, G Amritlal
D'Mello, J Francis
Pondekar, S Ghanashyam
Gandhi, P H D
Ghosh, M Chandra
Gimi, H D
Gomes, A
Gupta, I Dutt
Kalapesi, N Maneckji
Kanal, U Khiaram
Kapadia, N Bejanji
Kapadia, R D
Madon, E Ruchji
Masalavala, S Rustomji
Mehta, D Maneckji
Mehta, H Jethalal
Mogul, D Dorabji
Nayak, D Harischandra
Rabadina, K Baimanji
Saharabudhe, R Shridhar
Sahlanha, F Francis
Shahane, W Raghunath
Surti, S Somanji
Thakor, M Jadavrai
Vazifdar, N Jamshetji
Vohra, G R

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SAILANA, DECEMBER 23.

The weather has been clear and dry generally over India and Burma but a few scattered falls of rain occurred in the North-West of the peninsula and at Teheran. There are signs today that a slight disturbance is affecting Northern Persia. In Burma skies are lightly clouded while in the North-East of India they are clear except as the Orissa Coast. Skies are cloudy in part of the Central Provinces and Central India but are clear in the United Provinces. Akola received half an inch of rain. In the North-West of India there is no cloud except in Kashmir. In the peninsula Ahmednagar reports one and half inches of rain, and Aurangbad half an inch. Skies are clear and only lightly clouded. There is no probability of rainfall in the Indian area to-day.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON SATURDAY, 22ND DECEMBER.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has risen everywhere the rise having been brisk to rapid in Sind, the Punjab, United Provinces, Rajputana, Cutch, Berar and at Saugor, Jubbulpore, Sholapur, Mangalore, Bangalore, Hyderabad (Deccan), Cuddapah, Trichinopoly and Negapatam.

Winds are north-easterly to south-easterly at most of the reporting stations and the force has been fresh to strong at Negapatam and generally light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The variations of the maximum show an excess of 5° to 7° in Berar and at Poona, Khandwa and Jubbulpore and a defect of 5° to 13° in the Punjab and at Rajkot, Sholapur Cochin and those of the minimum show an excess of 5° to 15° in several places. The highest temperature in the shade was 89° at Akola and Khandwa and the lowest 37° at Sirsa.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is locally cloudy in some places to the south of Latitude 22°.

Rain.—Only 4 stations report rain the heaviest fall being half an inch at Belgaum.

Weather.—Local scattered rain is likely to the south of Latitude. 22°.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. TRIESTE.

The following is the list of passengers proceeding to Trieste and Venice per Austrian Lloyd's s. s. "Trieste," to-day, from the Victoria Dock No. 8 :—

For Aden.—Mr. Dossabhoy Maneckji, Mr. and Mrs. Richards and child.

From Karachi.—Lieut. A. S. Auret, Mr. and Mrs. Bodsarides, Mr. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and child, Miss Johnson, Master Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Stephanides and 2 Children, Mr. and Mrs. Teolatos and Infant, Mr. Otto Weitnauer.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty four hours ending at 6 a. m. on Saturday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	3
B Mandvi, Chukla, Comarkhadi and Dongri	0	0	17
C Market, Dhobi Talao Panaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada ..	2	1	18
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	0	0	6
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	5	0	23
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	9
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown ..	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	11
Total	7	1	92
Same date last year	7	2	84

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	2
B Mandvi, Chukla, Comarkhadi and Dongri	0	0	16
C Market, Dhobi Talao Panaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	1	1	15
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	0	0	6
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	23
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	9
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	6
Hospitals	0	0	8
Total	1	1	84
Total plague deaths to date	134,138		
Same date last year	5	1	80

MRS. Ella Oughman, a daring woman explorer, is preparing an expedition at Nome, Alaska, to search for the North Pole. "Some body has got to find the North Pole," she declares: "The men who have gone searching for it have failed. I'm going to try, and I think I shall succeed." The peculiarity of Mrs. Oughman's expedition is that with the exception of the leader herself, it will be composed, entirely of Eskimos.

BY THE WAY.

"FAIRIES IN OUR MILK."

At this season of the year writes James Douglas in M. A. P. the publishers fusillade the nursery with books which are an insult to the mind of childhood. They are careful exercises in inanity. They are hideous with a revolting facetiousness. I would not give these books to a puppy. They are beneath the intellectual level of Bedlam. The authors of these books are stickit novelists, baffled serialists, and undetected criminals. The modern child-book is stuffed with realism and devoid of romance. It stones imagination to death with facts. It even makes animals uninteresting. I once gave a little boy "The Book of Romance," and I was delighted to find him one wet afternoon weeping luxuriously on the hearthrug over the death of Roland at the battle of Roncesvalles. They were golden tears full of Homeric magnanimity and heroic pity. The same boy was staying at a farmhouse one summer. He had been lying in a hammock in the orchard reading one of Mr. Andrew Lang's gallant fairy books. Boylike he left the book in the hammock, Next day before breakfast he found it dank with dew and woefully stained and torn. A romantic cow had been chewing it during the night. There was green cud on the leaves. "I suppose," said the boy, "will have fairies in our milk this morning." That conceit is a kind of wild poetry. It has imaginative humour in it.

FORTUNE'S FAVOURS.

The Hon. Neil Primrose, by inheriting a fortune from a relative, joins a select and favoured band upon whom admirers have bestowed wealth. The German Emperor heads the list. His receipts in money and real estate during the last ten years would make a millionair envious. Following this excellent precedent, a Hamburg merchant prince left a quarter of a million to the Emperor's Chancellor, whom Kaiser William immediately created "Prince" Bulow. The "Silver-tongued" Bryan has recently come by wealth in the same way, while, not to be outdone, our own land furnishes cheerful examples. Thus Lord Ailerton has received £200,000 from an admirer of his public career, and Dr. Jameson inherits a sum one-fifth larger under the will of Mr. Beit. Queen Victoria was very fortunate in her admirers, of whom the wealthiest was Nield, who bequeathed to her the sum of £250,000

CHINA IN LONDON.

China may or may not succeed in suppressing the use of opium within her own borders; she will still have sons abroad who smoke the pernicious drug. It would be interesting to know how the law on the subject stands in England. So much secrecy is observed that the inference is that to conduct and opium den here is unlawful. But opium dens exist in London, where Chinese drug themselves nearly to death as they do in their own favoured land. Whithin twenty minutes of Fenchurchstreet you may find China in London. In a noisome garret you can discover Chinese sailors at their pipes, in various stages of opium-intoxication. But perhaps it is not so much knowledge of the opium-smoking which the proprietors wish to keep from the police; it may be that it is the gambling-hell attaching which it is desired to hide.

JOHN CHINAMAN'S WILES.

The heathen Chinee may have his sleeves stuffed with aces and find them of no profit here. Aces do not count, nor any other card. Dice, Chinese dice, are the medium for the gamble. And they do gamble, as only a Chinaman knows how. In a single sitting men who have been long afloat lose every penny of their savings, then retreat to the garret to smoke away recollection of the loss—of everything. There is one feature of this squalid gamblingsaloon which is as remarkable as the dice which are employed. The table has no legs. It is built high, but solid all the way down. John Chinaman knows his brother. He will not play upon any table which has a space beneath, where jiggery-pokery tricks may be worked by his fellow players. Perhaps as it is the play is not all fair, but, at any rate, it is literally above-board.

BULGING INTELLECTS.

It is possible that a first-rate genius has been wasted in the cobbler captain of Kopenick. He comes of a calling which has given us very great men. One authority has it that the majority of sobblers have exceptional brains—that their attitude when stooping over their work tends to a cranium development in the part where the intellectual faculties are seated. Certainly, few humble occupations have seen so many of their representatives proceed to high honour and power. Some one has written a book on illustrious shoemakers. The collection forms glittering constellation. In it are Sir Cloudesley Shovel, Gifford the Terrible, Bloomfield (author of the immortal "Farmer's Boy"), Carey the Orientalist, Admiral Myngs, George Fox (founder of the Society of Friends), John Kitto (the Biblical scholar), Sturgeon (the electrician), and Whittier, with whose life many writings are daily making us more familiar. The list of illustrious shoemakers runs into scores. The gentlemat who has now entered upon a four years' term of imprisonment ought to be of the number.

THE PERIL OF A PEOPLE.

The illness of the Emperor Menelik is serious for his people in a way which the cables do not note. Apart from dynastic questions, there is the more immediate evil that the Abyssinians have lost by his illness—their great physician. For certain forms of illness they go to him, personally if possible, or send a proxy. He "touches" them for their ailment, and straightway they recover. At any rate, having thought themselves ill, they now believe themselves cured, and that is all that any physician need hope to attain. Now, apparently, they will lack the help of their great cure-all, unless he, having touched proxies, should now depute a representative to confer the mystic benefit of his laying-on of hands.

"TRYING IT ON THE DOG."

It must require a good deal of courage even to-day to operate upon the Shah and the Sultan. If anything should go wrong, those about the throne might make it desperately unpleasant for the operator. While bringing fame and fortune to its successful holder, the post of surgeon to a sovereign always has been productive of dangerous possibilities. When the chief surgeon to Louis XIV. was called upon to perform a dangerous operation upon his king a terrible fear oppressed him. He had several men, afflicted as the king was, carried to the house of a Minister of State, and saw them operated upon. Most of those submitted to the treatment died, and, in order that the King might not know the perils of the task, they were secretly buried at night. Fortunately the operation upon the King was performed with complete success. But the strain so told upon the surgeon that his next operation, a quite simple one led to the total disablement of the patient, solely through the nervousness of the operator.

HERR VOIGT OF KOEPENICK

(who has been awarded four years' imprisonment for his military masquerade).

Sir Cobbler, *awl* is over for the time,
But, judging from the Continental news,
You seemed to have a penchant most sublime
For standing in another person's shoes.

But now, alas, an order of the Court
Transcends your own imperious command :
That you must pay the price of making sport—
Of having nearly *soled* the Fatherland.

'Twere well you heard your fate with rigid face,
Nor for the nation's clemency appealed ;
Who stabs the haughty *Uppers* of your race,
Had better wait until the wound be *heeled*.

The sentence does not err upon your side—
One would not be disposed to think it lax—
But yet its justice cannot be denied,
For Empires must not wane that cobblers wax.

Le him who to your spirit would be blind,
Be careful how he fulminates or croaks ;
In you a British simile we find:
You typify the very art of hoax!

To sum the episode in statement terse :
You are the victim of a martial folk,
Who, ready to annex the universe,
Confess, 'tis clear, they cannot *take* a joke!

PASSENGERS PER S. S. AUSTRIA.

The following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyd's s. s. "Austria" Captain A. Bilaffer, from Trieste and Venice on Saturday morning :—

Ball Major and Mrs
Bell Miss
Crowder Mr
Gerson da Cunha Mrs and Miss
Devaro Mr Geo F
Fox Mrs
Gebauer Mr A
Hargreaves Cyprienne E
Herrings Mrs and Miss
Holden Miss
James Mr and Mrs
Kinkerbrite Mr
Le Messe Mrs and child
Logue Mrs
Murray Mrs
Noone Mr and Mrs H W
Ostermayer Mr
Radnotfay de Mr
Rasin Mr
Rospaldiana Marchioness de
Siegle Miss F
Sporonga Lt and Mrs and child
Thorne Miss
Theodocas Mr
Tesdemann Mr R
Turkel Mr
Whitehaker Miss
Wilson Major C

SCIENTIFIC NOTES.

THAT light should exert a pressure on the surface on which it falls is a necessary consequence of the wave theory. To prove the existence of this infinitesimal pressure might well seem to be a task beyond even the wonderful refinements of modern physics. Yet from a lecture delivered by Professor J. H. Poynting at the Royal Institution, and reported in "Nature," we learn that this apparently impossible task has been actually accomplished. The experiments which gave the required proof were carried out about a year and a half ago by Professors Nichols and Hull. Along with a similar experiment by Lebedew these proved conclusively that a beam of light exerts defenite pressure on any surface on which it falls. And such was the accuracy of the methods employed that the experimenters were actually able to measure the amount of this pressure. Many years ago Professor Clerk MAXWELL calculated that the pressure on a square centimetre of surface should be equal to the energy in a cubic centimetre of the beam of light—roughly, three-eighths of the energy in a cubic inch on a square inch of surface. And the fiegures given by the recent experiments agree with these derived from theory.

Now though this force is so minute that it may probably be left out of account in dealing with terrestrial problems it is otherwise in the domains of astronomy. Professor Nichols, for example, suggests that it may account for the formation of comets' tails if these are due, as many supppose, to outbursts of very fine dust.

Professor Poynting, after detailling some interesting and important experiments of his own, proceeds to apply the principle of light pressure to cetrain astronomical problems. It is calculated that the total light pressure on the earth is 75,000 tons, and that the earth is, therefore, repelled from the sun by this force. The force of gravity, however, pulls the earth sun wards with a force 40billions times as great. But if the size of the earth were deminished by half the ratio of light repulsion to the attraction of gravity would be doubled. And on a particle of matter on 40-billioneth of the side of the earth the forces of light repulsion and gravity would be equal. If the sun were hotter and smaller the equality would be reached the sooner. Thus, two bodies of the same density and temperature as the sun, and 43¼ yards in diameter, would neither attract nor repel each other.

Applying this to a swarm of meteoric matter, the following result is arrived at. At great distances from the sun the mutual attractions among the members of the swarm are greater than the repulsions due to light. But at 100,000,000 miles from the sun attraction and repulsion become equal. If the swarm apreaches a little the light pressure will tend to scatter the meteoric masses. Another effect on the particle is that it loses some of its energy, and falls in towards the sun, reaching it in less than 100,000 years. A particle of one inch in diameter would reach the sun in less than 100,000,000 years, and larger masses in proportionately longer times.

The effect of the light pressure on comets is also considered. A comet may be considered a thinly-scattered cloud of particles of various sizes. The very smallest particles would be repelled when the comet first came into our system. Then a sorting-out will take place among the various-side particles. The direct pressure of the sun's light will lengthen the year of the smaller particles, and they will trail behind. They will also tend to move in spirally towards the sun. Thus, in the course of ages, particles of different sizes will come to have different orbits. Such are some of the interesting results which seem to follow from the fact that light exerts a certain pressure on the surface on which it falls.

At a recent meeting of the Essex Field Club, the Rev. A. S. Hutton exhibited a specimen of that interesting and beautiful bird, the rose-coloured pastor, otherwise the rose-coloured starling (pastor roseus). It is said by Professor Newton to be a not infrequent visitor to the British islands. It is a bird of very irregular and erratic habits, making sudden visits in vast numbers to some particular locality, affecting a settlement there, and deserting it as soon as its young are reared. Thus, in 1875, the Castle of Villafranca, in the Province of Verona, was suddenly taken possession of by from 12,000 to 14,000 of these birds. Other similar instances have been recorded. It is an interesting fact that on all these occasions the spot pitched on was at the time, or soon after, ravaged by locusts, which are a favourite food of this bird. The rose-coloured pastor has been often observed to frequent trees or shrubs with rose-coloured blossoms, such as the oleander. Among such blossoms their plumage, rosepink and black shot with blue, enables them to escape observation.

Some interesting facts indicating the omnivorous nature of the avian appetite are brought out by these researches. Among the common items of the menu are berries of the poison-oak, deadly poison spiders, caterpillars with stinging pines, and beetles with acrid secretions. It is said that the mere touch of a blister-beetle will scorch human flesh, and yet one king-bird had devoured 14 of them. Other birds were found to have fed on insects of which the odour is said to be worse than that of the skunk. As indicating the enormous destruction of insect life effected by birds, it

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